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The Parish of.....hereby applies for admission to the Rhode Island Episcopal Convention, and it is hereby certified under authority of the Wardens and Vestry that it has been a duly organized Parish of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island for the space of one year, and has maintained regular public worship during that time.

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.....
.....
} Wardens.

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LIST OF PARISHES

OF THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND,

IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION,

WITH THE DATE OF ORGANIZATION.

1889.

Trinity Church, Newport	1698	First.
St. Paul's Church, Wickford	1707	Second.
St. Michael's Church, Bristol	1719	Third.
St. John's Church, Providence	1722	Fourth.
St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket	1816	Fifth.
Grace Church, Providence	1829	Sixth.
St. Mark's Church, Warren	1829	Seventh.
St. James's Church, Woonsocket	1832	Eighth.
St. George's Church, Newport	1833	Ninth.
St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich	1833	Tenth.
Christ Church, Lonsdale	1834	Eleventh.
St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth	1834	Twelfth.
Christ Church, Westerly	1834	Thirteenth.
Emmanuel Church, Manville	1835	Fourteenth.
St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown	1837	Fifteenth.
St. Stephen's Church, Providence	1839	Sixteenth.
Church of the Ascension, Wakefield	1839	Seventeenth.
St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth	1843	Eighteenth.
St. Philip's Church, Crompton	1845	Nineteenth.
Trinity Church, Pawtucket	1845	Twentieth.
All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence	1847	Twenty-first.
St. Peter's Church, Manton	1847	Twenty-second.

St. Thomas's Church, Greenville	1851	Twenty-third.
Emmanuel Church, Newport	1852	Twenty-fourth.
Church of the Messiah, Providence	1856	Twenty-fifth.
St. John's Church, Barrington	1859	Twenty-sixth.
Church of the Redeemer, Providence	1860	Twenty-seventh.
Church of the Savior, Providence	1863	Twenty-eighth.
Christ Church, Providence	1865	Twenty-ninth.
St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston	1866	Thirtieth.
St. John's Chapel, Ashton	1868	Thirty-first.
St. James's Church, Providence	1869	Thirty-second.
All Saints' Church, Pontiac	1869	Thirty-third.
St. Mary's Church, East Providence	1871	Thirty-fourth.
St. Paul's Church, Providence	1871	Thirty-fifth.
St. George's Church, Central Falls	1874	Thirty-sixth.
Trinity Church, Bristol	1875	Thirty-seventh.
Church of the Epiphany, Providence	1875	Thirty-eight.
St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier	1875	Thirty-ninth.
St. John's Church, Newport	1882	Fortieth.
St. Mark's Church, Riverside	1883	Forty-first.
Trinity Chapel, Pawtuxet	1885	Forty-second.
Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket	1888	Forty-third.
Church of the Ascension, Auburn	1888	Forty-fourth.
St. Andrew's Church, Phenix	1889	Forty-fifth.

PARISHES NOT IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

Names.	Places.
St. Barnabas's Church	Apponaug.
All Saints' Chapel	Newport.
St. Thomas's Church	Providence.

Churches and Chapels in which services are held during a portion or all of the year.

St. Mary's Chapel	Cumberland Hill.
Chapel of the Advent	Pawtucket.
Chapel of the Holy Cross	Middletown.
Berkeley Memorial Chapel	Middletown.
St. Mary's Chapel	Warwick Neck.

A LIST OF THE CLERGY

OF THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND.

JUNE, 1889.

Rt. Rev. THOMAS M. CLARK, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese, residing in Providence.

Rev. William N. Ackley, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier.

Rev. Julius W. Atwood, Rector of St. James's Church, Providence.

Rev. Charles H. Babcock, D. D., Rector of Grace Church, Providence.

Rev. Samuel G. Babcock, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Westerly.

Rev. Hamilton M. Bartlett, Assistant Minister of Grace Church, Providence.

Rev. Percy Barnes, Rector of St. Barnabas's Church, Apponaug.

Rev. Evelyn P. Bartow, Assistant Minister of St. Stephen's Church, Providence.

Rev. Frederick J. Bassett, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Providence.

Rev. Henry Bassett, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Providence.

Rev. Lloyd Morton Blodgett.

Rev. William M. Chapin, Rector of St. John's Church, Barrington; Post Office, Barrington Centre.

Rev. William Sheafe Chase, Rector of St. James's Church, Woonsocket.

Rev. Benjamin H. Chase.

Rev. William S. Child, S. T. D., Minister in charge of St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown.

Rev. E. Warren Clark.

Rev. Thomas H. Cocroft, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Providence, and Missionary in charge of St. Peter's Church, Manton.

Rev. James W. Colwell.

Rev. H. C. Cunningham.

Rev. John B. Diman, Officiating in Berkeley Memorial Chapel, Middletown,

Rev. Benjamin Eastwood, Missionary in charge of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket.

Rev. Geo. McClellan Fiske, S. T. D., Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Providence.

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Rev. Daniel Goodwin, Rector of St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich.

Rev. William M. Groton, Rector of Christ Church, Westerly.

Rev. John G. Hammarsköld, Missionary to the Swedes, Providence.

Rev. Daniel Henshaw, S. T. D., Rector of All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence.

Rev. W. F. B. Jackson, Assistant Minister of St. Stephen's Church, Providence.

Rev. Daniel Leach, D. D., Providence.

Rev. Herman Lilienthal, Officiating at Emmanuel Church, Manville.

Rev. George L. Locke, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Bristol.

Rev. L. Walter Lott, Rector of Christ Church, Lonsdale.

Rev. George J. Magill, Rector of Trinity Church, Newport.

Rev. S. Wilson Moran, Rector of St. John's Church, Newport.

Rev. Robert Murray, Rector of St. John's Chapel, Ashton.

Rev. S. C. M. Orpen, Missionary in charge of St. Philip's Church, Crompton, and St. Andrew's Church, Phenix.

Rev. George Herbert Patterson, Rector of St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth.

Rev. Robert B. Peet, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Newport.

Rev. J. Sturgis Pearce, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth.

Rev. Emery H. Porter, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket.

Rev. Delancy G. Rice, Providence.

Rev. C. A. L. Richards, D. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Providence.

Rev. E. S. Rousmaniere, Rector of All Saints' Church, Pontiac.

Rev. W. W. Sever, Missionary in charge of St. George's Church, Central Falls, and St. Philip's Mission, Valley Falls.

Rev. Samuel Snelling, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Providence.

Rev. George R. Spink, Officiating at St. Mary's Church, East Providence.

Rev. Albert J. Thompson, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wickford.

Rev. William R. Trotter, Rector of Trinity Church, Bristol.

Rev. William P. Tucker, Rector of Trinity Church, Pawtucket.

Rev. Samuel H. Webb, Rector of Christ Church, Providence.

Rev. Charles H. Wheeler.

Rev. Otis O. Wright, Missionary in charge of St. Mark's Church, Riverside.

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Proceedings of the Convention.

ALL SAINTS' MEMORIAL CHURCH, PROVIDENCE,
ST. BARNABAS'S DAY, TUESDAY, June 11, 1889.

The Ninety-Ninth Annual Session of the Rhode Island Episcopal Convention assembled for Divine Service in All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Hymn 136 was sung, after which the Communion Office was begun by the Rev. George L. Locke, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Bristol, the Bishop reading the Gospel and the Nicene Creed. The 137th hymn was then sung, and a charge given to the Clergy by the Bishop, his subject being "The Preaching of the Word."

The Communion Office was proceeded with by the Bishop who was assisted in the same, and in the Administration, by the Rev. DANIEL HENSHAW, S. T. D., Rector of All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence, the Rev. WINSLOW W. SEVER, Rector of St. George's Church, Central Falls, and the Rev. GEORGE L. LOCKE.

The 493d Hymn was sung, and after a recess of fifteen minutes the Convention was called to order, the Bishop in the Chair.

The Rules of Order were read by the Secretary. The Roll was then called as follows:

LIST OF CLERGY ENTITLED TO SEATS AND A VOTE.

Rt. Rev. THOMAS M. CLARK, D. D., LL. D.

Rev. William N. Ackley,
" Julius W. Atwood,
" Samuel G. Babcock,
" Evelyn P. Bartow,
" Hamilton M. Bartlett,
" Frederick J. Bassett,
" Henry Bassett,
" William M. Chapin,
" William S. Chase,
" William S. Child, D. D.,
" Thomas H. Cocroft,
" John B. Diman,
" Benjamin Eastwood,
" G. McClellan Fiske, S.T.D.
" Charles G. Gilliat, Ph. D.,
" Daniel Goodwin.
" William M. Groton,
" John G. Hammarsköld,
" Daniel Henshaw, S. T. D.,
" W. F. B. Jackson,
" *Daniel Leach, D. D.*,

Rev. George L. Locke,
" L. Walter Lott,
" George J. Magill,
" S. Wilson Moran,
" Robert Murray,
" S. C. M. Orpen,
" Geo. Herbert Patterson,
" J. Sturgis Pearce,
" Robert B. Peet,
" Emery H. Porter,
" Delancy G. Rice,
" C. A. L. Richards, D. D.,
" Edmund S. Rousmaniere,
" Winslow W. Sever,
" Samuel Snelling,
" George R. Spink,
" Albert J. Thompson,
" William R. Trotter,
" William P. Tucker,
" Samuel H. Webb,
" *Charles H. Wheeler.*

* Those whose names are in italics were not present.

ENTITLED TO SEATS BUT NOT TO A VOTE.

Rev. Chas. H. Babcock, D. D.,
" Lloyd Morton Blodgett,
" Percy Barnes,
" Benjamin H. Chase,
" *E. Warren Clark,*
Rev. *James W. Colwell,*
" *H. C. Cunningham,*
" Herman Lilienthal,
" Otis O. Wright.

LAY DELEGATES AND SUBSTITUTES.

St. John's Chapel, Ashton.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
George Sparhawk,	*James Williamson,*
William H. Beebe,	*John Patterson,*
R. H. I. Goddard,	*William Williamson,*
James Gildard,	*Charles H. Mills.*

Church of the Ascension, Auburn.

William M. Goodrich,	*Arthur Reeve,*
John A. Howland,	*Eben S. Bowen,*
Edwin Chandler,	*George A. Spink.*

St. John's Church, Barrington.

Erastus L. Walcott,	*Joseph U. Starkweather.*
J. T. A. Eddy,	*H. Leavet Cady,*
William T. Lewis,	*Frank J. Bradford,*
Daniel H. Wood,	*Charles E. Smith.*

St. Michael's Church, Bristol.

Edward S. Babbitt,	*Frederick F. Gladding,*
Thomas J. Usher,	*Edward Anthony,*
John H. Pitman,	*John W. Best,*
Alfred Luther,	*Raymond F. Taylor.*

Trinity Church, Bristol.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
John P. Reynolds,	*Darwin Almy*,
H. F. Monroe,	*J. H. Carthell*,
Le Baaon Bradford,	*Henry F. Card*,
Charles V. Perry,	*C. W. Young.*

St. George's Church, Central Falls.

George A. Kent,	*James Jackson*,
Alexander S. Sawyer,	*William H. Newton*,
John A. Blunt,	*Joseph Wood*,
John P. Briden.	*John Dewhurst.*

St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston.

Charles Slocum,	*Daniel H. Hagan*,
John Gee,	*Geo. W. Davis*,
Zachariah Hayward,	*John Pickett*,
David U. Hagan.	*H. H. Broadbent*,

St. Philip's Church, Crompton.

Benjamin F. Waterhouse,	*William Stubbs*,
John Liddle,	*C. E. Lovett*,
John Lord,	*John Allen*,
William Houston.	*Thomas Bigbee.*

St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich.

William Goddard,	*Moses J. Barber*,
James H. Eldridge,	*D. A. Peirce*,
W. Maxwell Greene,	*S. B. Wickes*,
Nathanial Gladding.	*William H. Taylor.*

St. Mary's Church, East Providence.

William E. Ripley,	*G. A. Manchester*,
Clarence A. Mathewson,	*William J. Kilton*,
William T. Kilton,	*E. P. Lloyd*,
O. Clarance.	*R. W. Adams.*

St. Thomas's Church, Greenville.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Albert S. Latham,	*Nathan C. Estes*,
Joseph A. Estes,	Nathan B. Sprague,
Daniel W. Latham,	*Nathaniel S. Vaughn*,
William S. Steere.	Thomas Winsor.

St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown.

George H. Carr,	T. A. H. Tefft,
H. Audley Clark,	*Daniel Watson*,
John B. King,	*Lewis W. Anthony*,
Jeremiah Tefft.	*John J. Watson*,

Christ Church, Lonsdale.

Henry Harman,	*Lewis D. Larned*,
Addison Kinsman,	*James Isherwood*,
George P. Pearce,	*Thomas Pollitt*,
E. A. Merill.	*S. D. Larned*.

St. Peter's Church, Manton.

Elisha O. Angell,	*Henry M. Jordan*,
A. T. Mansfield,	*William S. Steere*,
Walter E. Evans,	*J. R. Reed*,
D. H. Steere.	*D. Aril Reed*.

Emmanuel Church, Manville.

Cyrus Cook,	*William W. Waterman*,
T. W. Hague,	*M. C. Latham*,
William H. Waterman,	*John W. Hall*,
T. W. Handy.	*Albert Ahmuty*.

St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier.

Esbon S. Taylor, Jr.,	*Joshua C. Tucker, Jr.*,
John H. Caswell,	*James Waters*,
Charles E. Boon,	*Alphonso Congdon*,
Freeman P. W. Tefft,	

Emmanuel Church, Newport.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
John Nicholas Brown,	*J. C. Wise*,
William P. Clarke,	*George W. Barlow*,
Andrew K. McMahon,	*Edward Taylor*,
John M. Taylor.	*Henry Weston.*

St. George's Church, Newport.

William H. Sherman,	*Elmer Leonard*,
James H. Barney,	*Joseph Armstrong*,
Freeborn S. Waite,	*J. W. B. Jackson*,
William S. Slocum.	*Alfred Barker.*

St. John's Chapel, Newport.

Willard Eddy,	*Clark Burdick*,
C. F. Goodrich,	William Schwartz,
Charles Washburn,	*John C. Weaver*,
Edward Burlingham.	Peter Quire.

Trinity Church, Newport.

John H. Cozzins,	*George P. Wetmore*,
Le Roy King,	*Rodman Cornell*,
George Gordon King,	*Walter L. Kane*,
V. Mott Frances.	*George M. Dockray.*

Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket.

Silas H. Woodcock,	*Richard Roberts*,
Andrew Fearn,	*Michael Ludgate*,
William Harrington,	*William L. Lynch*,
George F. Perkins,	*James Brown.*

St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket.

W. W. Blodgett,	*Fred R. Mason*,
Charles W. Allen,	Herbert Rice,
George A. Mumford,	*H. W. Davenport*,
George E. Bamford.	*Charles French.*

Trinity Church, Pawtucket.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Claudius B. Farnsworth,	*Louis G. R. Clarner*,
William Warburton,	Claude J. Farnsworth,
Daniel M. Smith,	*William I. Small*,
Henry L. Dana.	*William O. Graham.*

Trinity Chapel, Pawtuxet.

William J. Burge,	*Charles Glines*,
William B. Rhodes,	*Thomas W. Gardner*,
Frank W. Bloomer,	*Martin Budlong*,
John G. Gardner,	George H. Webb.

All Saints' Church, Pontiac.

John Pollard,	William W. Anderson,
Alfred Hawksworth,	Robert M. Pollard,
Dan O. King,	*Robert Horne*,
Job W. Cory.	W. J. Champlin.

St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth.

George B. Anthony,	*Colby C. Mitchell*,
Benjamin S. Anthony,	*D. Frank Gifford*,
Thomas Holman,	*Edward F. Anthony*,
Thomas L. Mitchell.	*Seth Anthony.*

All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence.

B. Frank Pabodie,	*L. T. Foster*,
G. C. Nightingale, Jr.,	*George W. Porter*,
James Tiffany,	S. A. Kingsley,
George W. B. Bourn.	*G. H. Hagan.*

Christ Church, Providence.

John P. Erickson,	*Frank A. Crossely*,
William J. Crossley,	*Joseph W. Ross*,
Henry Thompson,	*George A. Long*,
George A. Midwood.	*Thomas I. Hudson.*

Church of the Epiphany, Providence.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
William Halton,	Henry S. Olney,
Edward D. Bassett,	*Thomas W. Mereweather*,
George H. Lincoln,	*William L. Cook*,
George T. Hart,	Henry W. Cook.

Church of the Messiah, Providence.

C. W. Gilmore,	*Albert J. Thornley*,
G. R. Fisher,	*E. C. Hale*,
Edward M. Winsor,	*W. H. Patterson*,
Joseph H. Saunders.	*W. R. Jefferson.*

Church of the Redeemer, Providence.

John H. Stiness,	*Elisha C. Mowry*,
Winslow Upton,	*Richard Macomb*,
George D. Briggs,	*Alfred H. Comb*,
Charles B. Manchester.	*Nicholas W. Read.*

Church of the Saviour, Providence.

Augustus W. Mathewson,	George B. Rawson,
Charles H. Mumford,	*William Douglass*,
Daniel W. Brown,	*John R. Allen*,
Edward B. Hamlin.	*Zechariah Chaffee.*

Grace Church, Providence.

Charles Morris Smith,	*John W. Angell*,
John B. Anthony,	*Joshua M. Addeman*,
Rathbone Gardner,	*George W. Prentice*,
John P. Campbell.	*George A. Buffum.*

St. James's Church, Providence.

F. E. Richmond,	*Amos M. Bowen*,
Joseph H. Fanning,	*James Cannell*,
Christopher Blanding,	*John E. Bolan*,
*Frederick M. Ballou.**	*Chester W. Kelley.*

* Deceased.

St. John's Church, Providence.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Jacob H. Martin,	S. G. Trippe,
John W. Vernon,	*T. P. I. Goddard*,
M. B. I. Goddard,	*J. H. De Wolf*,
D. L. D. Granger.	C. T. Dorrance.

St. Paul's Church, Providence.

Henry T. Beckwith,	*Richard A. Bailey*,
William Staples,	*John A. Carter*,
A. V. Jencks,	*William Foster*,
William P. Hawkes.	*John Atcherly*.

St. Stephen's Church, Providence.

Lyman Klapp,	*Joseph Dewes*,
William Ames,	Charles C. Nichols,
R. H. I. Goddard,	J. H. Ormsbee,
Freeborn Coggeshall.	*Walter G. Webster*.

St. Mark's Church, Riverside.

Amasa Humphreys,	*James Brown*,
James Mortin,	*W. R. Phillips*,
T. C. Hudson.	*E. J. Cawham*.

St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth.

Restcom P. Manchester,	*Robert W. Anthony*,
James R. Chase,	*Lewis R. Manchester*,
William H. Gifford,	*Henry I. Chase*,
Robert S. Chase.	*Herbert Chase*.

Church of the Ascension, Wakefield.

Delegates.	Substitutes.
Francis M. Donally,	
George G. Pearse,	
George C. Robinson,	
H. K. Gardner.	

St. Mark's Church, Warren.

Luther Cole,	*John Waterman*,
Lawton I. Ware,	*Charles A. Hoar*,
Daniel L. Turner,	*John Wheaton*,
James E. Pollard.	*Henry F. Batty.*

Christ Church, Westerly.

Edwin Babcock,	*Charles Perrin*,
Samuel H. Cross,	*James W. Pollett*,
William Hoxsey,	*James Fyffe*,
Azro N. Lewis.	*Leander S. Clarke.*

St. Paul's Church, Wickford.

James A. Greene,	S. B. Church,
C. F. Wightman,	*Esbon Sanford*,
C. A. Chadsey,	*S. O. Myers*,
William Gregory.	*Richard F. Gardiner, Jr.*

St. James's Church, Woonsocket.

Lyman A. Cook,	L. C. Tourtellott,
Henry Andrews,	*John North*,
Edgar M. Slocomb,	*Seth Arnold*,
George H. Miller.	*Henry P. Abbott*,

The President then declared the Convention to be duly organized.

Rule of Order No. 20 was suspended.

The Rev. SAMULE H. WEBB was unanimously re-elected Secretary, and with the consent of the Convention appointed the Rev. SAMUEL SNELLING his assistant.

Resolved, That clergymen from other Diocese and candidates for Holy Orders be invited to Honorary Seats in the Convention.

There were present the Rev. EDWARD M. GUSHEE, of the Diocese of Massachusetts; the Rev. EDWARD L. DROWN, of the Diocese of Florida, and the Rev. J. B. MURRAY, D. D., of the Diocese of Central New York.

The following Committees were then appointed by the President:

ON CREDENTIALS.

Rev. HENRY BASSETT,	Mr. Le Roy King,
" WINSLOW W. SEVER,	" John W. Vernon.

ON THE ADMISSION OF NEW PARISHES.

Rev. DANIEL GOODWIN,	Mr. Charles Morris Smith,
" R. B. PEET,	" Edwin Babcock.

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Rev. C. A. L. RICHARDS, D. D.,	Mr. C. B. Farnsworth,
" DANIEL HENSHAW, S. T. D.,	" F. E. Richmond,
" EMERY H. PORTER,	" E. D. Bassett.

ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Rev. WILLIAM P. TUCKER,	Mr. Henry Andrews,
" ROBERT MURRAY,	" James A. Greene.

ON PLACE OF MEETING OF THE NEXT CONVENTION.

Rev. William Sheafe Chase,
" William M. Chapin,
" J. W. Atwood.
Mr. William Ames,
" Edward M. Winsor,

The application of the parish of St. Andrew's, Harris, for admission into union with the Convention, was, on motion, referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.

On motion, the Rules of Order and Standing Order of Business were suspended in order to introduce, immediately after the Bishop's address, amendments of the proposed Canons and to adopt the Canons, Constitution and Rules of Order and Standing Order of Business presented at the last Convention.

On motion, a recess was taken till two o'clock, P. M.

At the close of the recess the Convention was again called to order by the Bishop.

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes reported as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ADMISSION OF NEW PARISHES.

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes begs leave to report that the application of St. Andrew's Church, Harris, submitted to it, has been found to be in due form and it therefore recommends its admission to the Convention.

DANIEL GOODWIN,
For the Committee.

All Saints' Memorial Church, June 11, 1889.

On motion, the recommendation of the Committee that the Parish of St. Andrew's Church, Harris, be admitted into union with the Convention, was adopted. No certificate of the election of delegates from the parish was presented.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on Proportionate Representation be made the special order of business at 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

The Bishop then read his annual address.

Resolved, That this Convention request of the Bishop, the charge delivered in All Saints' Memorial Church this morning, that an edition may be printed separate from the Journal.

Resolved, That a copy be sent to every clergyman in the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States.

The Treasurer of the Convention then read his report, which was received and placed on file.

[See appendix for report in detail].

ABSTRACT FROM THE TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr.

To paid Rt. Rev. T. M. Clark	$5,000 00
" " travelling	100 00
Rev. S. H. Webb	165 00
Refreshments	100 00
Sexton	10 00
Printing and Stationery	341 45
Balance	376 25
	$6,092 70

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By balance		$82 75
" assessments		3,255 00
" trustees of the Episcopal Fund		2,645 36
" transfer from Borland Fund		100 00
" interest received		9 59
		$6,092 70

J. W. ANGELL, *Treasurer.*

On motion,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as relates to the increase of the Episcopal Fund and the observance of the Centennial of our Diocesan Convention be referred to a Committee to be appointed by the President.

The President afterwards appointed the following as members of the Committee:

Rev. C. A. L. Richards, D. D., Mr. Edwin Babcock,
" George J. Magill, " Rathbone Gardner.

The Committee on Canons then presented amendments to the proposed Canons and Constitution, the Standing Rules of Order and Standing Order of Business presented at the last Convention as follows:

CANON 2.

Section 1, line 2. After "whom" insert "hereafter" so that the clause shall read: "of whom hereafter three clergymen, etc."

SEC. 4. Amend so that it shall read; "This board shall conduct the missions of the diocese; and shall take, hold and manage all property of the convention now or hereafter designated for the purposes of this canon."

Make the remainder of the section, Section 5, as follows:

"5. The board shall hold missionary meetings, etc."

SEC. 6, line 1. After "paid" insert "by the board" so that it shall read: "No salary shall be paid by the board to the missionary, etc."

Renumber sections five, six and seven: "6, 7 and 8," respectively.

CANON 3.

SECTION 2, line 2. Strike out "and to report annually to the convention." Make a new section as follows:

"4. This committee shall report annually to the convention."

CANON 4.

Amend the canon so that it shall read as follows:

OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES AND GLEBES.

1. There shall be elected by the convention a board of trustees of churches and glebes. This board shall consist of the bishop and three laymen, one of whom shall hold office for one year, one for two years, and one for three years; and hereafter, the convention shall annually elect one member of the board to hold office for three years.

The bishop shall be *ex-officio*, chairman.

2. This board shall have the charge of all churches, chapels, rectories, school houses and glebes, now or hereafter belonging to the convention; and of such other property of the convention, as may be designated for the erection of said buildings, or for the purchase or maintenance of said buildings or glebes; and they shall manage and use such property according to the directions of the donor or grantor expressed at the time of making the gift or grant thereof, *provided*,

that such direction and uses shall be for the benefit of the church, and not inconsistent with the constitution and canons of the convention, and provided *further*, that such property shall be held and managed subject to the conditions of the canons of the General Convention relating to incumbrance on, or alienation of, any consecrated church or chapel. (Title I., canon 24). In case no directions respecting such property shall be given at the time of making such gift or grant, the board shall manage and dispose of the same in accordance with such directions as may be given from time to time by the convention.

They shall cause all property in their charge needing such protection, to be insured with the policies of insurance payable in case of loss to the convention.

3. In case of any debt upon property held by the board, which debt cannot be cancelled by the parties beneficially interested, the board shall not assume it, but shall make known the fact of said indebtedness in such manner as may best secure offerings for its payment.

4. The board shall receive and consider all applications from parishes in the diocese for aid in the building or purchase of churches, chapels, rectories, school-houses or glebes, or for the maintenance of either of them; and they may appropriate and pay out for any of these objects under such conditions as they may deem most conducive to the strengthening or extension of the church, any money in their hands not otherwise appropriated by the donors thereof or by the convention.

5. The board may endeavor to secure by collections in the several churches in the diocese and by donations, and bequests from individuals a permanent fund for the purposes specified in sections 4 of this canon.

6. At each annual session of the convention the board shall present a report of their transactions, with a list of the churches and other real estate of which they have the care; and also an account, duly audited, of their receipts, investments and expenditures.

CANON 5.

SECTION 2. Amend so that it shall read as follows: "2. This board shall take, hold and manage all property of the convention now or hereafter designated for the purposes of this canon, including collections in churches. It is hereby made the duty, etc."

CANON 6.

SECTION 1. End the section at "three years." Make new section 2, as follows:

"2. This board shall have the charge of the fund for the support of the episcopate; and shall take, hold and manage all property of the convention now or hereafter designated for the purpose of this canon. They shall pay annually to the treasurer of the convention the income of the episcopal fund."

Renumber Section two: "3."

CANON 8.

SECTION 1, line 4. Amend the clause so that it shall read as follows: "including the journals of other diocesan conventions and of the general convention, which may be in his possession as secretary, and to distribute the printed journals of the convention in such manner as may be perscribed."

CANON 9.

Renumber Section three: "4."

Strike out Section 4, and substitute the following:

3. He shall take possession of all property now belonging to or hereafter acquired by the convention, and under the direction and approval of the board of audit and finance, shall hold and manage the same until the convention shall order other management thereof; *provided*, that property designated by the donor or grantor thereof for purposes specified in the several canons, shall be taken, held and managed by the respective boards named in said canons.

CANON 10.

Line 2. Amend so that it shall read: "and of all journals of other diocesan conventions, and of the general convention, and of any other books and papers that may be the property, etc."

CANON 12.

First paragraph, line 4. Amend so that the sentence shall read as follows: "It shall be due on the last days of February, May, August and November."

CANON 16.

Amend so that it shall read as follows: "A communicant removing from one parish to another, shall procure from the rector of his or her last parish, or if there be no rector, etc."

STANDING RULES OF ORDER.

Make new rule as follows:

"22. In the election of deputies and supplementary deputies to the general convention, the names of persons nominated by clergy or delegates shall be numbered and upon their confirmation by either body, be reported back in the same order in which they were received."

Renumber rules twenty-two, twenty-three, twenty-four and twenty five: "23, 24, 25 and 26," respectively.

Voted, That the canons approved by the convention at its last session and amended at this session, be and hereby are adopted, to take effect immediately; except so much of Canon 12 as relates to the dates of payment, which shall take effect August 1, 1890; and that all other canons be and hereby are repealed, except the dates of payment in Canon IX., which shall remain in force until August 1, 1890.

The Committee on Canons presented the following Act embodying the Amendment to the Charter of the Convention approved at the last session.

State of Rhode Island, etc.,

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

JANUARY SESSION, A. D. 1889.

AN ACT

IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE CERTAIN PERSONS BY THE NAME OF THE RHODE ISLAND EPISCOPAL STATE CONVENTION," AND OF THE SEVERAL ACTS IN AMENDMENT THEREOF AND IN ADDITION THERETO.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The corporation created by act of the General Assembly at the January Session, A. D. 1844, by the name of the "RHODE ISLAND EPISCOPAL STATE CONVENTION," shall hereafter be known by the name of the "RHODE ISLAND EPISCOPAL CONVENTION," and by that name shall continue to have and enjoy all the rights and privileges vested in said corporation, and shall be subject to all the duties and obligations resting upon it.

SEC. 2. The standing committee provided for by the second section of the act of which this act is in amendment shall consist of as many members as the convention may from time to time determine, and said committee and all the committees and officers of said convention shall hold office for such time as the convention may determine in accordance with its constitution and canons.

SEC. 3. Said convention may enact, establish and put in execution such canons, by-laws, ordinances and regulations, they not being contrary to the constitution of this State, or the laws thereof, or the constitution of the United States, as to it shall seem expedient, and also to alter its said constitution to the provisions in said constitution contained.

SEC. 4. The sixth section of the act of which this act is in amendment is hereby repealed.

SEC. 5. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SEC. 6. This act shall take effect on and after its passage.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, ETC.:

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE,
PROVIDENCE, March 20, 1889.

I certify the aforegoing to be a true copy of an act passed by the General Assembly of said State, on the twenty-first day of February, A. D. 1889.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the State aforesaid, the date first above written.

[L. S.]

SAMUEL H. CROSS,
Secretary of State.

Voted, That the amendments to the act of incorporation of the Rhode Island Episcopal State Convention, enacted by the General Assembly at its January Session, 1889, be and hereby are accepted.

The following motion was carried by a unanimous vote of both orders, viz. :

That the constitution approved by the convention at its last session, be and hereby is adopted, and that the constitution hitherto in force is hereby repealed.

Voted, that the Standing Rules of Order, and Standing Order of Business approved by the convention at its last session, with the amendments adopted at this session, be and hereby are adopted; and that the Rules of Order and Standing Order of Business heretofore in force are hereby repealed.

Resolved, That the amended Charter, the Constitution, Canons, Standing Rules of Order and Standing Order of Business be printed in the *Journal*, and such additional copies be printed as the Secretary may find necessary for the future convenience of the convention.

The Committee on Proportionate Representation made report as follows :

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROPORTIONATE REPRESENTATION.

The Committee on Proportionate Representation appointed at the last Diocesan Convention,[1] having considered carefully the subject referred to them, respectfully recommend the following as a form of memorial to be presented to the General Convention at its next session:

The Convention of the Diocese of Rhode Island, respectfully memorialize the General Convention on the subject of proportionate representation.

We find that a parish in one diocese has the same influence upon legislation as seven parishes in another;[2] that a clergyman in one diocese has the same voice in legislation as twenty-six in another;[3] and that a single layman in one diocese is equal in influence upon legislation to a thousand laymen in another diocese.[4]

We feel that the present system lays an unfair burden on the minority, in making them unduly responsible for the legislation of the church, while the injustice to the majority needs no demonstration.

We would, therefore, respectfully urge upon the General Convention that the basis of representation in the House of Deputies be changed,

so that the dioceses may be represented in some more just and equitable method than the present; and that the Deputies shall vote individually or by Orders, and not by Dioceses.

J. W. ATWOOD,
C. A. L. RICHARDS,
JOHN NICHOLAS BROWN.

[1] Journal of the Convention. Page 30.

[2] What should be the basis of representation in the General Convention. A paper read before the Church Congress, Louisville, October, 1887, by the Rev. Thomas M. Peters, S. T. D., Rector of St. Michael's Church, New York. New York: Thomas Whittaker, Publisher. Page 3.

[3] Report of the Committee of the Diocese of Pennsylvania on Proportionate Representation in General Convention. Philadelphia: MacCalla & Co., Printers. Page 4.

[4] Prof. Lawrence's Essay. Page 9.

Voted, That the report of the Committee on Proportionate Representation, as amended, be adopted.

The Committee on the Subject of Divorce made report.

On motion the Report was received and the Committee continued.

REPORT ON DIVORCE.

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1889.

Th Committee on Divorce Legislation, beg leave to report:

That a bill has been prepared, embodying the suggestions made in the report of the Convention last year.

It has not yet been presented to the legislature, however, owing principally to the fact that Mr. Carroll D. Wright, Superintendent of the Government Labor Bureau at Washington, is preparing, and is about ready to publish, an exhaustive work on the subject of divorce, and has selected Rhode Island as one of the States in which special statistics are

to be collected, and which is to receive special attention. He will also make suggestions in relation to a national divorce law, and urge upon Congress the passage of such a law.

In view of these facts, it is deemed wise by your Committee to delay pressing the matter of divorce reform upon our own legislature until after the publication of the before-mentioned report of Mr. Wright. It is expected that the report will be in readiness in a few months, and that some action will be taken by our own legislature at its next session.

For the committee,

HENRY BASSETT, *Chairman.*

The Registrar made report which was read and ordered printed:

REGISTRAR'S REPORT.

The Registrar respectfully reports that he has received during the current year, Journals from nearly all Dioceses and Missionary jurisdictions in the United States. He has added many Journals and Pamphlets to the collection in charge, and several volumes of Journals have been bound. It is believed that the collection of Journals of the New England Dioceses is now complete. The Rev. Daniel Goodwin has given a number of Journals of the Rhode Island Convention, and the Hon. J. H. Stiness has placed in the Archives the Records of the Church Reading Room.

S. H. WEBB, *Registrar.*

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1889.

The Report of the Standing Committee was read, and on motion was received and order printed.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 11, 1889.

The Committee organized July 2, 1888, by the election of Rev. C. A. L. Richards, D. D., as President, and Charles Morris Smith, as Secretary.

During the year, Messrs. Charles E. Preston, Frank Appleton and Axel Z. Fryxell have been recommended to the Bishop for admission as candidates for Holy Orders.

Messrs. Lloyd M. Blodgett, Arthur Rogers, Frederick W. Davis and Herman Lilienthal have been recommended to the Bishop for ordination to the Diaconate.

Messrs. Johann Gottfried Hammarsköld and George R. Spink have been recommended to the Bishop for ordination to Priest's orders.

Consent has been given to the consecration of Rev. Leighton Coleman, S. T. D., to be Bishop of Delaware; to the consecration of Rev. George McClellan Fiske, S. T. D., to be Bishop of Fond du Lac; to the consecration of Rev. Charles C. Grafton, to be Bishop of Fond du Lac; to the consecration of Rev. Boyd Vincent, to be Assistant Bishop of Southern Ohio; to the consecration of Rev. J. Mills Kendrick, D. D., to be Missionary Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona; and to the consecration of Rev. Cyrus Frederic Knight, D. D., C. L. D., to be Bishop of Milwaukee.

Consent has been given for the incorporation of the Parish of St. Andrew's, Harris.

Consent has been given to the Parish of the Church of Ascension, Auburn, to mortgage its real estate for the sum of two thousand dollars.

Statement of moneys in the hands of the Trustees of All Saints' Memorial Chapel, Newport, on Easter Monday, 1888 and 1889, have been received and placed on file.

In behalf of the Committee,

CHARLES MORRIS SMITH, *Secretary.*

PROVIDENCE, June 11, 1889.

The Board of Audit and Finance then made report on Parish Assessments for Bishop's salary and Convention expenses. The report was received and ordered printed. [See Appendix.]

Voted, That the assessments recommended by the Board of Audit and Finance for the Bishop's salary and Convention expenses, be ordered by this Convention.

The Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, made report, which was received and ordered printed. [See Appendix.]

The report of the Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes was read, received and ordered printed.

For financial statement. [See Appendix.]

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES AND GLEBES.

The property of Convention under the care of the Board other than the invested funds otherwise reported is as follows:

Burrillville, Calvary Church, with land.
Cumberland, St. Mary's Chapel, with land.
East Providence, St. Mary's Church, with land.
Jamestown, St. Matthew's Church, with land.
Johnston, St. Peter's Church (Manton), with land.
Middletown, Berkeley Memorial Chapel, with land.
Providence, Church of the Saviour, with land.
Providence, St. Thomas's Church, with land.
Providence, two lots on Mt. Pleasant near Academy avenue.
Pawtucket, Church of the Good Shepherd, with land.
Scituate, Trinity Church (South Scituate), with land, Cemetery lot.
Warwick, St. Philip's Church (Crompton), with land and Rectory with land.
Warwick, St. Barnabas's Church (Apponaug), with land.

The church buildings at Burrillville and Scituate are unoccupied, in need of exterior repairs, and should in the opinion of the Board be disposed of unless there is more reasonable prospect of a speedy re-occupation of them for church services.

Respectfully submitted for the Board,

EDWARD D. BASSETT, *Secretary.*

The Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., was read, received and ordered printed. For Financial Report. [See Appendix.]

REPORT OF THE BOARD FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS, ETC.

The Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., etc., respectfully report that $1,950 have been paid during the past year to seven beneficiaries. The principal of the fund is now $24,162.32, having increased $234.83 since the last report. Of the forty-four parishes in union with the Convention, thirty-nine have contributed to the fund, while five have neglected this canonical requirement, viz.:

Church of the Ascension, Auburn; St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown; St. Thomas's Church, Greenville; Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket; and St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier.

Contributions have also been received from three parishes which are not in union with the Convention.

It is with much gratitude that the Board notes the result of their statement and appeal for increased offerings made to the Convention a year ago. The parishes have contributed $1,103.38, an increase of $242.35, and have thus permitted the payment of all appropriations without encroaching upon the principal of the fund. The same liberal giving must continue through the ensuing year, as the number of beneficiaries and the appropriations are unchanged.

For the Board,

CHARLES T. DORRANCE, *Secretary.*

PROVIDENCE, June 5, 1889.

The Secretary of the Board of Missions read his Annual Report which was received and ordered printed:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Board of Missions has held its quarterly meetings regularly during the year with E. H. Porter, Secretary, and Rathbone Gardner, Treasurer.

The following stations were recommended by the Committee on Stations and Salaries, and adopted for the year beginning April 1, 1889, and the Missionaries were appointed by the Bishop:

St. George's Lincoln, Rev. W. W. Sever,	on condition of	$650.....	$250
St. Philip's, Valley Falls " "	"	100.....	100
St. Thomas's, Greenville, Mr. C. E. Preston,	"	500.....	250
Christ, Providence, Rev. S. H. Webb,	"	800.....	200
St. Peter's, Manton, Rev. T. H. Cocroft,	"	250.....	150
St. Philip's, Crompton, Rev. S. C. M. Orpen,	"	550.....	150
St. Andrew's Phenix, " "	"	250.....	50
Good Shepherd, Pawtucket, Rev. B. Eastwood,	"	750.....	250
St. Mark's, Riverside, Rev. O. O. Wright,	"	400.....	400
Ascension, Wakefield,	"	750.....	150
St. Paul's, Portsmouth, Rev. J. S. Pearce,	"	650.....	250
St. Barnabas's, Apponaug,	"	550.....	250
St. Bartholomew's, Cranston, Rev. H. M. Bartlett,			100
St. Thomas's, Eagle Park, Mr. F. Appleton,	"		100
St. Andrew's, Mount Pleasant, Rev. T. H. Cocroft,			100
Swedish Episcopal Mission, Rev. J. G. Hammarsköld,		800.....	200
Total.....			2,950

The amount of the annual appropriation has been increased $100.

The number of stations is sixteen.

The Rev. Charles H. Babcock, D. D., Rector of Grace Church, Providence, has been elected a member of the Board, in place of the Rev. David H. Greer, D. D., who has removed to New York.

These are the items of interest:

St. George's, Lincoln. The indebtedness upon the Rectory has been reduced by the Woman's Auxiliary and other friends to $4,500, a reduction of over $700 during the year.

St. Thomas's, Greenville. This mission was vacant from Easter to September 1, 1888. Mr. C. E. Preston, a minister among the Second Adventists, now a candidate for Holy Orders, is the Missionary in charge.

Christ Church, South Providence. The new church is completed and almost ready for consecration. A few hundred dollars are needed to procure seats. The appropriation made this year will probably be the last this Parish will require.

St. Andrew's, Mt. Pleasant, Providence. The deed of a lot is now in the hands of the Convention. Twelve hundred dollars have been pledged for a chapel. It seems absolutely necessary that this section of the city be better provided for in the way of church privileges.

Swedish Episcopal Mission. This includes three stations—in Providence, in Newport, and in Pawtucket, all of them under the care of the Rev. J. G. Hammarsköld who has recently been ordained to the Priesthood. The work is a very important one, and deserves all the assistance we can render.

In accordance with Canon I, Section, 7, we propose as an apportionment of the amount needed for the current year, an assessment on each parish, of seven-eighths of the sum assessed last year by the Board of Audit and Finance for the Bishop's salary and Convention expenses. The amount necessary is $2,950.

The following table of contributions for the last year has been furnished by the Treasurer, and over against it are placed the suggested assessments for last year and the year to come:

	Offerings.	Assessments.	Assessments.
	1888–9.	1888–9.	1889–90.
St. Barnabas's, Apponaug	$7 77	.....	.....
St. John's, Ashton	19 00	$18 00	$17 50
Ascension, Auburn	.....	.....	.....
St. John's, Barrington	15 74	14 00	22 00
St. Michael's, Bristol	90 00	142 00	153 00
Trinity, Bristol	.....	.....	43 75
St. George's, Central Falls	14 00	14 00	14 00
St. Bartholomew's, Cranston	4 50	2 25	2 50
St. Philip's, Crompton	16 00	8 00	8 75
St. Luke's, East Greenwich	132 27	79 00	87 50
St. Thomas's, Greenville	2 45	.....	7 00
St. Matthew's, Jamestown	4 50	4 50	4 25
Christ, Lonsdale	90 00	90 00	87 50
St. Peter's, Manton	5 35	2 25	2 50
Emmanuel, Manville	19 00	14 00	12 25
St. Peter's, Narragansett Pier	.....	.....	39 25
All Saints', Newport	140 42	119 00	122 50
Emmanuel, "	78 25	67 00	65 50
St. George's, "	22 00	.....	30 50
St. John's, "	5 39	18 00	19 25
Trinity, "	90 88	279 00	288 75
Advent Chapel, Pawtucket	3 00	.....	.....
Good Shepherd, "	14 76	.....	.....

	Offerings. 1888–9.	Assessments. 1888–9.	Assessments. 1889–90.
St. Paul's, Pawtucket	124 07	124 00	131 25
Trinity, "	25 00	54 00	39 25
Trinity, Pawtuxet	.....	.....	2 50
St. Andrew's, Phenix	9 50	.....	.....
All Saints', Pontiac	6 65	4 50	8 75
St. Paul's, Portsmouth	9 00	8 00	7 00
St. Mary's, East Providence	.....	.....	.....
All Saints', Providence	62 76	124 00	131 25
Christ, "	18 00	18 00	17 50
Epiphany, "	53 74	16 00	22 00
Messiah, "	25 00	23 00	30 50
Redeemer, "	37 54	32 00	48 00
The Saviour, "	10 00	18 00	17 50
St. Paul's, "	30 12	18 00	17 50
St. Andrew's, "	2 80	.....	.....
Jt. James's, "	25 00	18 00	22 00
St. Thomas's, "	2 00	.....	.....
Grace, "	553 86	433 00	459 25
St. John's, "	362 67	355 00	350 00
St. Stephen's, "	250 66	232 00	262 50
St. Mark's, Riverside	4 80	.....	4 25
Trinity, Scituate	1 00	.....	.....
St. Mary's, South Portsmouth	3 90	.....	8 75
St. Philip's, Valley Falls	6 50	.....	.....
Ascension, Wakefield	15 91	8 00	7 00
St. Mark's, Warren	48 15	45 00	43 75
St. Mark's, Sunday School, Warren	25 00	.....	.....
Christ, Westerly	104 48	75 00	52 50
St. Paul's, Wickford	65 00	40 00	39 25
St. James's, Woonsocket	62 00	62 00	87 50

The following parishes and missions have not contributed during the year:

Ascension, Auburn.
Trinity, Bristol.
St. Peter's, Narragansett Pier.
St. Mary's, East Providence.
Trinity, Pawtuxet.

By the aid of the missionary meeting held last evening in Grace Church, we come as usual before the convention, free from debt and having a small amount with which to pay the $750 due on the 30th of June. Nearly every parish and mission has contributed something, but the amounts together have not been sufficient without the special offering last night to carry on the limited work entrusted to the Board of Missions of this Diocese. If we were asking for a very large amount, if we were seeking to extend our work beyond all reasonable bounds, and were multiplying mission stations in wild recklessness of zeal,—the Diocese might withhold from us in protest, a larger part of the amount we thought required. It would be an expression of lack of confidence. But we are not asking too much. The Diocese would not willingly surrender a single outpost we have chosen. Some other reason then must account for our inability to obtain what we ask for through the ordinary channels. That reason is indifference or we would rather believe a forgetfulness as the months go by, of the imperative necessity of systematic offerings for a work for which regular quarterly payments have been pledged by the Board under circumstances which make it obligatory to pay them the very day they become due. If thoughtlessness and unnecessary delay are the real causes of our financial perplexities from year to year, the difficulty is remediable, but it rests with you.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. PORTER, *Secretary.*

The report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions was read, received and ordered printed. [See Appendix.]

No report was received from the Committee on Christian Education.

The report of the Woman's Auxiliary was read, received, and ordered printed.

REPORT OF THE R. I. BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY FOR 1888-89.

Thirty-eight parishes have joined in the work during the past year:

Foreign work	$425 55
Domestic work	1,431 96
Freedman's work	525 94
Diocesan work	787 58
Indian work	422 97
	$3,594 00
Value of boxes	3,343 64
Total	$6,937 64

MARY B. ARNOLD, *Secretary.*

The Depository Board then made report which was received and ordered printed. [See Appendix.]

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to have Canon XVI. "Of Removal of Communicants" printed on the covers of the Convention Journal.

Voted, That the money belonging to St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston, now in the hands of the treasurer of Convention be paid to the treasurer of St. Bartholomew's Church upon the order of the Bishop.

Voted, That the money in the hands of the late Depository Board and the offering at the opening of the Convention, be placed in the hands of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions, subject to the order of the Bishop for distribution of prayer books and hymnals at his discretion.

On motion, adjourned till Wednesday morning, at half-past nine o'clock.

ALL SAINTS' MEMORIAL CHURCH.
PROVIDENCE, June 12, 1889.

The Convention met for Divine Service at 9½ o'clock.

The Litany was said by the Rev. A. J. Thompson, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wickford, the Bishop pronouncing the Benediction. After the Service the Convention was called to order by the Bishop. The roll was called, and the record of the first day's proceedings read, and as amended was approved.

The Committee on place for the meeting of the next Convention reported as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

The committee on place of meeting of the next Convention, beg leave to report that invitations were received from the Church of the Messiah, Olneyville; St. John's Church, and the Church of the Epiphany, Providence, and from Trinity and St. George's Churches, Newport. After considering the propriety of meeting at one of the historic churches at the centennial and also of the convention meeting at a place easily accessible to the largest number of people, the committee unanimously recommend the acceptance of the invitation of St. John's Church, Providence.

Signed:

WILLIAM SHEAFE CHASE,
J. W. ATWOOD,
W. M. CHAPIN.

Voted, That the next session of the Convention be held in St. John's Church, Providence, in accordance with the recommendation of the committee on place of meeting of Convention.

The Committee on Christian Education made report which was received and placed on file.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

During the year past the Committee have held conferences at the Church of the Redeemer, Providence; St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket; Emmanuel Church, Newport, and Grace Church, Providence. On these occasions there has been a very free interchange of thought upon the various aspects of the work in the interest of which this Committee was created. At the first three conferences the discussions were devoted to a consideration of the best means of making our Sunday School teaching more effective, of conducting and rendering interesting, classes for boys, of retaining the young in the Sunday School and stimulating their interest in the Church Services, of giving the home its proper place in religious training and development, of securing the personal influence of parents and friends upon the young. The conference at Grace Church had special reference to the training of boys and the duties of the men of our congregations in the general work of Christian Education. The Rev. Frederick B. Allen, city missionary from Boston, gave some valuable hints concerning the influencing of boys for good, especially in the cities. Mr. Charles J. Wells, of New York City, and Vice President of "St. Andrew's Brotherhood," spoke of the character and work of "St. Andrew's Brotherhood." The Rev. C. N. Field, of Philadelphia, explained the organization and methods of the "Guild of the Iron Cross."

The Committee have been fortunate in securing the services of men having practical knowledge of the subjects under consideration. In addition to the speakers named above, they are under obligations to the Rev. Dr. Fiske, Judge Stiness, Professor Winslow Upton, Mr. Leander Fiske, Mr. E. D. Bassett, and Mr. Rathbone Gardner for kindly assisting in the work.

The cordial manner in which the efforts of the Committee have been seconded in the several parishes is most encouraging; and the great interest manifested in the various objects of the work on the part of Sunday School teachers and parents, indicates the importance attached to this subject in the church throughout the Diocese.

The Committee believe that further work upon substantially the same policy, will prove acceptable to our parishes and of great value to the gereral interests of the Church.

Respectfully submitted,

W. N. ACKLEY.

The Order of the day was taken up and the Convention then proceeded to the elections.

The Clergy and Laity retired separately to nominate Deputies and Supplementary Deputies to the General Convention.

These nominations being reported, the clerical nominations to the laity and the lay nominations to the clergy, those bodies sitting apart, were, by ballot, confirmed, each body reporting its action to the others. The Convention having reassembled and received report of the concurrent action, the President then declared the following named clergy duly elected Deputies and Supplementary Deputies to the General Convention:

DEPUTIES.

Rev. C. A. L. Richards, D. D., Rev. Robert B. Peet,
" Daniel Henshaw, S. T. D., " George J. Magill.

SUPPLEMENTARY DEPUTIES.

Rev. Daniel Goodwin, Rev. William P. Tucker,
" Emery H. Porter, " George McClellan Fiske, S. T. D.

The following laity were declared duly elected Deputies and Supplementary Deputies to the General Convention:

DEPUTIES.

Mr. Samuel R. Dorrance, Mr. R. H. I. Goddard,
" John Nicholas Brown, " W. W. Blodgett.

SUPPLEMENTARY DEPUTIES.

Mr. George C. Nightingale, Jr., Mr. James Lewis Peirce,
" Rathbone Gardner, " Edwin Babcock.

The Standing Committee was re-elected as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Daniel Henshaw, S. T. D., Mr. W. W. Blodgett,
" C. A. L. Richards, D. D., " T. P. I. Goddard,
" George J. Magill, " Charles Morris Smith,
" Daniel Goodwin, " John Nicholas Brown.

Mr. John W. Angell was unanimously re-elected Treasurer of the Convention.

The Rev. Samuel H. Webb was unanimously re-elected Registrar.

The Committee on Christian Education was elected as follows:

COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

Rev. W. N. Ackley, Mr. D. L. D. Granger,
" Daniel Goodwin, " W. Maxwell Greene.
" William S. Chase.

The following persons were elected members of the Board of Missions, to serve for two years:

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS TO SERVE FOR TWO YEARS.

Rev. E. H. Porter, Mr. E. L. Walcott,
" George McClellan Fiske, S.T.D., " E. D. Bassett.
" Charles H. Babcock, D. D.,

Mr. C. B. Farnsworth was re-elected a member of the Board of Audit and Finance to serve for three years.

Mr. William Goddard was re-elected a Trustee of the Episcopal Fund to serve for three years.

The Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes was elected as follows:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES AND GLEBES.

Mr. Henry T. Beckwith, for one year.
Mr. J. L. Peirce, for two years.
Mr. E. D. Bassett, for three years.

The Board for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc., was elected as follows:

BOARD FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS ETC.

Mr. M. B. I. Goddard, for one year.
Mr. C. T. Dorrance, for two years.
Mr. John P. Campbell, for three years.

Voted, That the deputies elected to represent this Convention in the next General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the United States of America, be instructed to present to that Convention the following resolution: That in the judgment of the Convention of the Diocese of Rhode Island, any change in the present name of this Church, is in the highest degree inexpedient.

On motion,

Resolved, That twelve hundred copies of the Journal of this session of the Convention be printed under the direction of the Secretary and Treasurer, and that twelve copies be given to each parish, and the remainder, after deducting the prescribed number of copies, be distributed pro rata, in accordance with the assessments for the expenses of the Convention.

Resolved, That the sum of ten dollars be paid to the sexton of All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence, for his services at this session of the Convention.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to All Saints' Memorial Church Parish, for the use of its Church for the holding of the present session.

Voted, That the delegates from St. John's Church, Providence, be the Committee on entertainment for next year.

Resolved, That the Standing Order of Business be so amended as to require the report of the Board of Missions to be presented to the Convention at a public meeting to be held on the evening of the first day of the Convention.

On motion, the Resolution was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to confer with the parish in which the Convention meets, upon the matter of hospitality.

The President appointed as this Committee,

Rev. Henry Bassett, Mr. James A. Greene.
" T. H. Cocroft,

Voted, That after the reading of the Minutes of the day's proceedings and the usual devotions, the Convention adjourn *sine die.*

The Minutes were then read and approved.

The Bishop offered prayer and pronounced the benediction, and the Convention adjourned.

SAMUEL H. WEBB, *Secretary.*

THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

After the labors of another year we are allowed to meet together once more in our annual Convention, and it devolves upon me to present the usual report of the official acts that I have performed since our last meeting.

On Sunday, July 8th, I visited the Church of the Ascension, Wakefield, and confirmed nine persons. This parish has met with a great calamity in the resignation of the Rev. Phineas Duryea, who has been obliged to suspend his labors on account of his declining health. Under his faithful and efficient ministry the church had attained such a degree of temporal and spiritual prosperity as it had never known before.

On Sunday, August 26th, I confirmed eleven in St. Paul's Church, Wickford. This church has been very much improved in its appearance, and the new Rector has everything to encourage him in the prospects of the future. In the afternoon I preached in the old Narragansett Church, which has endured the storms of more than one hundred and eighty winters and is still in excellent preservation. Thanks to the fostering care and generous contributions of the Wickford people, this venerable building has been rescued from decay, and is regularly occupied for several Sunday afternoons during the summer season, when it is filled to its utmost capacity by congregations that gather from far and near to worship in the time-honored sanctuary.

On Sunday, September 9th, I made my annual visitation at All Saints' Memorial Chapel, Newport.

On the 19th of September I consecrated the cemetery of the St. Columba Berkeley Memorial Chapel, Middletown.

On Sunday, September 23d, I confirmed two in St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth. By the liberal aid of friends from without, this church has been renovated and decorated, and it is now much more attractive and pleasing to the eye than it was in former days.

On Sunday, September 30th, I visited St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown. A great change has come over the aspect of things in this place, where, for so many years, a handful of people used to assemble once on the Sunday for worship, in an old, dilapidated, unpainted building; and now during the summer season, the new and spacious church already proves to be too small to accommodate the crowds that gather there. The Rev. Dr. Child, who is in charge of this parish, has found here a very promising field for his labors.

On Sunday, October 7th, I confirmed one in the Church of the Saviour, Providence. I am sorry to say that the Rev. H. Usher Munro has resigned the rectorship of this church, and removed to Massachusetts.

On the 9th of October I consecrated All Saints' Church, Pontiac, and the sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. D. H. Greer. There was a very large assembly of clergy and a great crowd of people in attendance. The church stands in a very attractive position, a little apart from the village, and with the various structures that cluster around it, it has the aspect of a group of buildings, the design being to make this a centre of social attraction for the people at large. No expense has been spared in the furnishing and adornment of the edifice by the liberal gentlemen who built the church, and

it is devoutly to be hoped that the example which has been set by the proprietors of this village, and also by the owners of the Lonsdale and Ashton mills, may be followed in other manufacturing towns.

On Sunday, October 14th, I confirmed four in the St. Columbia Berkeley Memorial Chapel, Middletown. The Rev. John B. Diman is now in charge of the chapel, and the wholesome influence of the services established here upon the surrounding population is very marked and encouraging.

On Sunday, October 21st, I confirmed nine in the St. Philip's Mission Chapel, Valley Falls. The confirmation of so large a class in this place is very encouraging, and I should be glad if we had the means to erect a small church in this village.

On the 25th of October I consecrated St. Mark's Church, Riverside. It was an occasion of great interest to the people of this vicinity, and under the active ministry of the present rector, the Rev. Otis O. Wright, with a spacious and attractive church, free from all incumbrance, and a growing population to draw upon, we may look forward to an abundant harvest in the future.

On Sunday, November 4th, I confirmed eleven in St. Mary's Church, East Providence. I have never seen a larger concongregation at any service in this church.

On Sunday, November 11th, I confirmed eight in St. Mark's Church, Warren.

On Sunday, November 18th, I confirmed twenty-eight in St. James's Church, Woonsocket.

On Sunday, December 9th, I confirmed three in Emmanuel Church, Manville. The Rev. James P. Ware has resigned the rectorship of this church, and the Rev. Herman Lilienthal is now in charge.

On Sunday, December 23d, I confirmed fifteen in All Saints' Church, Pontiac. The Rev. E. S. Rousmaniere is about to leave this parish, after having accomplished a very successful work.

In the evening of the same day I confirmed nine in the chapel of the St. Andrew's Mission, Mt. Pleasant. The land has been purchased for the erection of a church, and there is every reason to believe that a large congregation will be gathered in here.

On the 26th of December I confirmed one in St. Stephen's Church, Providence.

On the 21st of February I confirmed a sick person in private, from the Church of the Redeemer, Providence.

On Sunday, February 29th, I confirmed twenty-six in St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket, and nine in Trinity Church, Pawtucket.

On Sunday, March 3d, I confirmed fourteen in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Pawtucket, and in the evening confirmed thirteen in St. George's Church, Central Falls. Measures are in progress for the relief of the heavy debt on the rectory, which has existed from the beginning of the parish, and when that is discharged this will become a strong and self-supporting church.

On Sunday, March 10th, I confirmed eight in Christ Church, Westerly.

On Sunday, March 17th, I confirmed ten in St. James' Church, Providence. Enlarged accommodations have been provided for the worshippers, but the present edifice does not suffice to meet the wants of this growing parish, and a lot of land has been secured in a more eligible location, where a church will be erected when the requisite means are provided.

On the 21st of March the Rev. John G. Hammarsköld was

admitted to the priesthood in Grace Church, Providence. The candidate was presented by the Rev. H. M. Bartlett. In the evening I addressed the largest Swedish congregation that has been gathered under the ministry of Mr. Hammarsköld, and holds its services in Grace Church Chapel. It was an occasion of more than ordinary interest, and there was a singular charm in the simple, earnest and devout congregational music, which I would be glad to see imitated in the English-speaking churches. Great results are likely to grow out of the present movement among the Swedes, and they will be a very valuable accession to our communion.

On Sunday, March 24th, I confirmed fourteen in Christ Church, Lonsdale, and in the evening confirmed twelve in St. John's Church, Ashton.

On Sunday, March 31st, I confirmed three in St. Mark's Church, Warren, making eleven in all during the year. After a long and useful ministry the Rev. W. N. Ackley has resigned his rectorship, and the church is now vacant. In the afternoon I visited St. John's Church, Barrington, but on account of the illness of several of the candidates the confirmation was postponed for a few weeks. Another important addition has been made to the original building, and its aspect is entirely changed — the small, unpretentious edifice that was erected thirty years ago being nearly lost sight of in the imposing structure which now adorns the grounds. These additions are in memorial of persons who were great benefactors of the parish in its feeble days, and who well deserve to have their names thus perpetuated here.

On the 4th of April I confirmed one sick person in private from the Church of the Epiphany, Providence.

On Saturday, April 7th, I confirmed three in St. Philip's Church, Crompton. Within two weeks from this date the

rector and the people of the parish were called to mourn the loss of one of the most valuable men in the village, a warden of the church and a very near friend of the rector, one on whom he leaned in the hour of sickness and calamity, and to whom he looked as his confidential adviser and friend. Little did I think, when I parted so pleasantly with Dr. Dedrick on the day of my visitation, that he was so near his end; but God has seen fit to remove the good man, and he rests from his labors. In the afternoon I confirmed five in St. Andrew's Church, Phenix.

On the 9th of April, I confirmed three in St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier. The Rev. Mr. Tindell has resigned the charge of this parish, much to my regret, and removed to the diocese of Maine. He has done a good work in this region of the State, and the fruits of his labor will long abide.

On Palm Sunday, April 18th, I confirmed eleven in St. George's Chapel, Newport; and in the evening confirmed twenty-eight in Emmanuel Church, Newport. A spacious and substantial addition has been made to the old church, and everything in and about the building is now in excellent condition.

On the evening of Thursday in Holy Week I confirmed forty-one in the Church of the Epiphany in Providence, making forty-two in all. Crowds of people were unable to get admittance to the church, and the need of a much larger building is every day felt to be much more pressing.

On the evening of Good Friday I confirmed thirteen in Christ Church, Providence, one being from St. Mary's, East Providence. The service was held in the old building as the stately and beautiful edifice that stands near by is not entirely finished, and a small debt remains to be cancelled before it can be consecrated.

On Easter Day I confirmed twenty-eight in Grace Church, Providence. This church, which was vacant for some few months, has been so happy as to secure the services of the Rev. Dr. Charles H. Babcock as its rector, and under his acceptable and faithful ministry everything in the parish moves on in the usual flood-tide of prosperity.

On Sunday, April 28th, I confirmed seventeen in St. John's Church, Providence, and in the evening confirmed twelve in the Church of the Redeemer, Providence, making thirteen in all.

On Sunday, May 5th, I confirmed ten in St. Peter's Church, Manton. This church, which languished for a while, is now in a very prosperous condition.

On Sunday, May 12th, I confirmed six in St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth.

On the 14th of May, I confirmed three from St. Stephen's Church, Providence, in the Chapel of the Holy Nativity, Providence.

On the 15th of May, I confirmed three in St. Mark's Church, Riverside.

On Sunday, May 19th, I confirmed fifteen in All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence, and in the evening confirmed eleven in St. Paul's Church, Providence.

On the 22d of May I confirmed seven in St. John's Church, Barrington.

On Sunday, May 26th, I confirmed sixteen in Trinity Church, Newport, and eight in St. John's Church, Newport.

On the afternoon of Ascension Day, I confirmed fifty-six in St. Stephen's Church, Providence, making in all sixty during the year. In the evening I confirmed twenty in the church of the Messiah, Providence. The old church has been removed to a new site, in order to make room for the erec-

tion of a costly memorial church, to be erected by the munificent gift of a Christian woman, whose generous contributions to the diocese in days past are known to you all.

On Sunday, June 2d, I confirmed four in St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich.

On the 5th of June I admitted Mr. Lloyd Morton Blodgett to Deacon's Orders, in St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket. The candidate was presented by the Rev. Emery H. Porter, and the sermon preached by the Rev. Professor William Lawrence, of the Cambridge Theological School.

On the same day, Mr. Herman Lilienthal was ordained to the diaconate at my request in Middletown, Conn., by the bishop of that diocese. The Rev. Mr. Lilienthal is to take charge of Emmanuel Church, Manville.

On the 7th of June, I confirmed five in St. Thomas's Church, Providence.

On Sunday, June 9th, I confirmed eleven in St. Michael's Church, Bristol; and in the evening confirmed eleven in Trinity Church, Bristol.

On the 10th of June I confirmed eight in St. James's parish, Woonsocket; making thirty-six in all.

On the same day I confirmed four sick persons from All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence; making nineteen in all during the year.

The whole number confirmed is five hundred and sixty-six.

Churches Consecrated—All Saints' Church, Pontiac; St. Mark's Church, Riverside.

ORDINATIONS.

To the Diaconate: Lloyd M. Blodgett, Herman Lilienthal. To the Priesthood: The Rev. John G. Hammarsköld.

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

Frank T. Green, John Matteson, Frederick W. Davis, Arthur Rogers, Richard M. Sherman, Frank L. Titcomb, Charles E. Preston, Frank Appleton, Axel Z. Fryxell.

CLERGY TRANSFERRED TO OTHER DIOCESES.

The Rev. Messrs. G. Ernest Magill, to Pennsylvania; Joseph M. Hobbs and H. Usher Munroe, to Massachusetts; D. H. Greer, D. D., to New York; Phineas Duryea, to Colorado; Charles H. Tindell, to Maine; Daniel I. Odell, to New York; James P. Ware, to the diocese of Central Pennsylvania.

CLERGY RECEIVED INTO THE DIOCESE.

The Rev. Messrs. Otis O. Wright and Percy Barnes, from Massachusetts; the Rev. Charles H. Babcock, D. D., from southern Ohio.

CONDITION OF THE DIOCESE.

There is nothing special to be noted in the general condition of the diocese. Great harmony of action prevails throughout our borders, and there has never been so much activity in church work of various descriptions as there is now. The special missionary meetings that have been held in different localities, and the stated gatherings of the Women's Auxiliary, have done much to quicken the zeal of our congregations in efforts for the extension and strengthening of Christ's kingdom; and I am glad to say that the spiritual wants of our own diocese have been brought forward more prominently than in days gone by. With the abundant resources of the diocese, and in view of the generous contributions that are made to the general missions of the church,

it ought not to be a perpetual struggle in order to secure what is needed for the support of our own missions here at home.

The charitable institutions within the diocese, of which the St. Mary's Orphanage and the St. Elizabeth Home are most prominent, continue to discharge their work as thoroughly as the means at their command will permit. A beautiful and commodious building has been erected in connection with the Orphanage, and sacredly dedicated to the Christian purpose of providing shelter for sick children, who must be separated from the other inmates of the institutions ; and this structure is mainly the gift of two noble-hearted women, one of whom, Mrs. Alexander Duncan, now rests in peace, after a life of generous effort for the relief of the poor and suffering. Both the Orphanage and the Home ought to have a more general and steady support, and I hope that the churches throughout the diocese will not forget them in the distribution of their charities. If one half of the money that is spent in superfluous Easter decorations and other ecclesiastical luxuries, could be devoted to the aid of Christ's poor and destitute disciples and the rescue of children from poverty and vice, it might be more acceptable to Him and secure to His Church a richer blessing. The Day Nurseries at Olneyville and Ship street are all the while becoming more and more popular, and are regarded as a great benefaction by the working people, for whose benefit they have been established.

I trust that the recent terrible calamity in Pennsylvania will elicit a generous response from our people, in aid of the multitudes who are left to suffer the pangs of hunger and have no shelter for their heads, and I should be glad to have offerings for this purpose made in our churches, especially in those towns and villages where there is no general movement in behalf of the sufferers.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS.

A plan is now in progress for the purpose of inducing the ministers of every religious body in the land to address their people on the next Thanksgiving Day, with the hope of producing such a powerful public sentiment as will lead to the rescue of our national politics from the degraded condition into which they have fallen, and more especially with the intention of promoting what is known as the civil service reform. While everything which concerns our party divisions and what may be called the secularities of our public policy is to be excluded from the sanctuary, there are certain evils which pertain to the administration of civil affairs, irrespective of party, that would have been certain to draw down the righteous indignation of the old Hebrew prophets, and would be most rigidly denounced by the Apostles, if they were here on earth, and these moral evils, as faithful stewards of Christ, we are not at liberty to leave unnoticed. It is not only our national politics that need to be reformed, for who can measure the degradation of individual character, both on the part of the tempter and the tempted, which attends the buying and selling of votes, that has brought such a stain upon the reputation of our own State? It is not the time to enter at large upon this important topic, but I do most heartily endorse the movement to which I have just referred, and trust that the Rhode Island pulpit will give no uncertain sound when the next Thanksgiving festival shall come.

NECROLOGY.

During the past year Bishop Welles, of the Diocese of Wisconsin, has been called away in the midst of his labors, after a term of Episcopal service covering the space of fourteen years, and before the frost of age had begun to settle

upon him. He toiled hard in the arduous field that he was called to till, and those who were associated with him mourn his loss as a true friend and a devoted servant of his Master.

Bishop Harris, of Michigan, has also been suddenly removed in the full vigor of his manhood, after only eleven years of duty in his diocese. Some of you will remember the strong impression that he made in this city when, a few years ago, he delivered the opening sermon at the meeting of the Church Congress, and also took part in its debates. You can recall his noble form, looking as he did like a man who must be destined to fight the battle of life, until he had filled up the full complement of his fourscore years on earth, and yet at an early age he has been taken from us, and rests at midsummer from his labors here on earth. There were few men who commanded the influence which he held in the House of Bishops, and there are few whom we could not have better spared; but God had work for him in a higher sphere, and has called him to a nobler ministry near His throne.

There is one distinguished name which for several years has appeared upon the roll of this Convention that will be called no more. The Rev. Dr. Francis Wharton has never held a parochial charge in this diocese, but he has always been deeply interested in the welfare of the church at Narragansett Pier, where he had his residence, and ready to discharge any public duties that might be demanded. For some time past he has been called to fill a responsible position in Washington, in the administration of our national affairs, and there is probably no clergyman of our own Church whose published works have had a wider circulation, as there is no one whose range of knowledge was wider and more varied than his. He was an earnest, sincere and most devoted

Christian, and a very able and profitable preacher. His retirement from the active duties of the ministry was occasioned by certain physical disabilities, and now he has been very suddenly called away, but leaves behind him a good and honorable record, and his name will live long after most of us are forgotten.

THE NEXT GENERAL CONVENTION.

There are several important subjects that are likely to come before our next General Convention, and it is not easy to determine how far it is proper and expedient to instruct or advise the deputies by our several dioceses as to the course which they are to pursue as representatives of our Diocesan Conventions. There has been a very general expression of opinion in regard to the readjustment of the ratio of representation in the General Convention, and you will be called to act upon the report of a committee already appointed to consider this important subject. In years past I have expressed myself very decidedly in favor of some arrangement which will relieve the Church of the inconvenience and great expense attending the concourse of a large and unwieldy body of deputies, an evil which increases with every session of the Convention, and very rapidly now that there is such a tendency to create new dioceses, and also save the Church at large from coming under the rule of those who represent but a small portion of our churches and communicants. The facts are familiar to you, and I will not dwell upon the matter, simply adding that the views which I have expressed in former Conventions are only intensified by the course of events during the last twenty years.

In view of the fact that the ratio of representation in the

General Convention may possibly be determined by the number of communicants in the dioceses represented, and also because of the important change proposed by the 4th Section of Article II., in our own constitution, I would call your special attention to the 16th Canon, upon the adoption of which you will soon be called to take action, which makes it imperative upon every communicant, in removing from one parish to another, to procure a certificate of transfer, and this the rector is always bound to give, when it is demanded, unless he is prepared to bring personal charges against the person thus applying. There can be no doubt that the records of our communicants are very inaccurate and misleading, and it is often exceedingly difficult for a rector to know who the persons are that should be registered. If the clergy were more scrupulous in demanding the letter of transfer, the people at large would be more careful to observe the law of the Church in this particular.

The proposal to change the name of the Church will probably occupy a certain amount of time in the discussions of the next General Convention, although it is not very likely that it will lead to any definite result at present.

There are various reasons which will tend to prevent action in favor of a change, and among these are the difficulty of agreeing upon any new title that will be generally satisfactory, the earnest opposition to any change whatever on the part of a large proportion of the clergy and laity, the doubtfulness as to the recognition of a new title for the Church in popular usage, the legal and technical difficulties that might arise in matters pertaining to property and the general sentiment that there is finally no occasion at this period of our history for changing the name of the Church. The Dutch Reformed Communion have tried the experiment

and have adopted the simple title of "The Reformed Church," which is sufficiently indefinite and not the kind of name which we should be likely to accept if we concluded that we would not be known any more as "The Protestant Episcopal Church."

The revision of the hymnal will once more call for the consideration of the Convention. The committee to whom this matter is entrusted have done wisely in submitting the work which they have already accomplished to the inspection and criticism of the Church, which is very certain to be exercised with little restraint or reserve, as may be inferred from our past experience. The only way in which we can be sure of a hymnal that will give entire satisfaction to everybody is to allow every one to make his own hymnal. In the preparation of the present collection I found, in a somewhat extensive correspondence, that the hymns which certain persons declared to be indispensable to a church hymnal, and most precious to their souls, were such as others protested against with the strongest vehemence. Hymns that have no special merit in themselves become associated with our religious experience, and perhaps with a musical rendering that has a peculiar charm, and we are unwilling to part with them, although if we heard them for the first time they might appear to be very commonplace, and possibly somewhat repulsive.

The committee has been very bold in striking out so many of the old familiar hymns, and it is probable that they have done this with the intention of making further modifications, after hearing what the clergy and laity have to say; for not less than 320 of those now in use are rejected — many of them with good reason, as they are never sung in church and only encumber the book; and some for no cause that can be imagined, as they have always been among the choicest

favorites in the old collection. Out of the 368 new ones which have been introduced there is the material for a hymnal far in advance of anything we have yet had, while there are not a few hymns that have nothing to recommend them; and it is to be hoped that the present movement may result in securing a hymnal which will meet the wants of at least a single generation. It is evident that the committee have bestowed much care upon the work which they have already done, and the appreciation of this fact may tend in some degree to soften the acerbity of criticism, which, for some reason, is apt to be peculiarly marked in dealing with hymnals.

I trust that their report will be treated generously in the Convention, for it is evident that they have been controlled by no narrow or partisan influence in the construction of the book, and no section of the church can raise the complaint that their favorite hymns have been eliminated, while those which represent a different style of doctrine have been retained. Not a few of those which have been most highly prized and most frequently sung by the old evangelical party have been stricken out of the new book, and the same is true of many which are most precious to those who represent what is known as the more advanced school of churchmen.

It is to be hoped that the matter of liturgical revision will be finally disposed of by the coming General Convention. It is not well to keep the people too long in suspense as to what they are to find in the Book of Common Prayer in the years that are to come. Six years ago it looked as if the changes were to be very numerous, if not very important, but thus far little has been done to disturb the minds of those who preferred to keep things just as they were in days gone by, or to gratify such as wished for a large enrichment

of the various services. We have no reason to suppose that any very radical alterations will be made by our legislative councils, either for the better or the worse; but it is not easy to foretell to what extent our stated modes of worship may be modified in the future, irrespective of any ecclesiastical authority.

RECORD OF THE PAST.

As this is the thirty-fifth annual convention of the diocese which I have been allowed to attend, I have thought that it might be a matter of interest to present to you a few general statistics, indicating the progress of our Church in Rhode Island during this period. No addition was made to the four churches originally established here under the patronage of the English Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, until the year 1815, when St. Paul's Church in Pawtucket was established; but at the time when my predecessor, Bishop Henshaw, entered upon his duties in 1844, a missionary spirit had been aroused and the zealous labors of the clergy, sustained by liberal contributions from the laity, had resulted in planting the Church in many of our towns and villages, and the report of the Missionary Convocation for that year shows that the contributions for diocesan missions were very much greater in proportion to the strength of the diocese than they are now. One of the first duties that Bishop Henshaw performed was the issuing of a pastoral letter commending a systematic plan of Sunday offerings, which is endorsed by the Convention as "the most simple, Scriptural and efficient." Under his wise and energetic administration, the Church grew steadily in strength and influence, and we are reaping to-day the fruits of his unremitting and faithful labors.

At the date of my election to preside over this diocese, there were twenty-three parishes reported, one of which had only a name to live and soon became extinct, and the names of twenty-six clergy were on the Convention roll. Twenty of this number have been removed by death, and only one remains in the diocese, the worthy son of the first Bishop of Rhode Island. The venerable Bishop of Kansas is one of the few who still remain, and there are two or three others who continue in the active discharge of their duties. There have been about two hundred clergymen on the roll of the Convention during the period now under consideration. Three laymen are present with us who were members in attendance at the Convention of 1854, and I am not certain that any other lay member of that Convention is living. Three or four are still with us who were present at the first Convention that I attended in 1855. A generation has passed away since I began my labors here, and the old, familiar voices will be heard no more in our councils. Others have been raised up to take their place, and we trust that they are disposed to build wisely and well upon the strong foundations which their fathers laid.

While the growth of the Episcopal Church in Rhode Island during the last thirty-five years has not been as great as in some of the newly-settled States, it has more than kept pace with the increase of population, and we have great reason to thank God for the degree of outward prosperity with which we have been blessed. The number of communicants has increased from 2,614 to 8,483, as reported at the last Convention; of Sunday-school teachers from 346 to 868, and of scholars from 2,236 to 7,148. The number of churches and chapels has increased from 23 to 54, and of the clergy from 26 to 57. In 1854 the amount of the offerings for mis-

sions and church charities was reported to be $10,167. Last year it was $82,901, and in addition $132,381 for the support of public worship. During the last 34 years the whole amount reported is $3,029,995, $1,319,067 being for mission work, and the remainder for parish purposes. Until the year 1866 no report was made of the latter contributions. These figures, however, do not in any degree represent the entire contributions for church work, for during this period forty new churches have been built, and costly improvements made in the old buildings, there being only ten church edifices now standing that existed thirty-five years ago, and all but two of them have undergone important alterations, externally or internally. Twenty-six rectories have been built or purchased, and two or three charitable institutions established at considerable cost, and if we still further estimate the amounts of money invested in various fields, and the large sums that have been given to the General Missions, of which no report is made to the Convention, it would be reasonable to double the amount that is to be found recorded in the journal. In all this we have no occasion for boasting, for this is a very wealthy diocese, and does not deplete itself by its contributions for carrying on our missionary work here at home. Ninety-one persons have been admitted as candidates for holy orders, of whom sixty-four have been admitted to the diaconate, and sixty-five persons have been ordained priests. The whole number of baptisms is 21,097, not including those reported at the present Convention, and of this number 5,165 were adults, and 15,982 were infants. The whole number confirmed is 13,005.

Those of us who are allowed to meet together one year from this time will have lived to see the one hundredth ses-

sion of our Diocesan Convention. The twenty-fifth anniversary of my consecration was signalled by laying upon the altar a liberal offering for the increase of the Episcopal fund; and what I would now suggest is this, that we commemorate our centennial by an offertory that shall place this fund at such a point as will relieve our parishes hereafter of a large proportion of the sums now assessed, or perhaps take away the necessity of any further assessments. It is possible that some of our wealthy churchmen, who appreciate the claims of the Church, and feel how immeasurable is the debt they owe to Him who has redeemed them with His blood, may be moved on that occasion to make an offering unto the Lord, commensurate with the means which He has placed at their disposal.

I have just been informed that a donation of $2,000 to the Episcopal fund has recently been made by one of our devoted and liberal laymen, for which we have cause to be very grateful.

While there is much in the review of the past to awaken our gratitude, there must always be a degree of sorrow in the thought of our own remissness and neglect of opportunities which might have been better improved and used to bring greater honor to God and more benefit to His Holy Church. If we have ever sought to advance our own reputation, when we should have had nothing in view but the glory of our Master, if we have ever lost sight of the message with which God has charged us in a preference for our own vain conceits, if we have looked upon our outward prosperity as the certain assurance of God's favor, and cared more for the enlargement of the church than for its increase in godliness, all that we can do is to go down upon our knees and ask God to

pardon our sins, and then try to do His work more faithfully in the days that still remain.

And now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified. As ye have, therefore, received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in Him, rooted and built up in Him, and established in the faith as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

OF THE

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND,

1888–89.

PARISHES—		
Present number in union with the Convention		45
Number not in union with the Convention		3
Churches consecrated		2
CHURCHES AND CHAPELS		51
MISSION STATIONS (exclusive of those where there is an organized Parish)		3
CLERGY—		
Ordained to the Diaconate		2
Ordained to the Priesthood		1
Transferred to other Dioceses		7
Received from other Dioceses		3
Present number, (Bishop, 1; Priests, 46; Deacons, 4)		51
CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, June, 1889		9
BAPTISMS—		
Infants	833	
Adults	227	1,060
CONFIRMED*		566
COMMUNICANTS—		
Added—New	576	
" By Removal	436	1,012
Died		161
Removed		292
Present number		9,102

*Number given by the Bishop.

MARRIAGES		361
BURIALS		728
SUNDAY-SCHOOLS—		
Teachers and officers		938
Scholars	7,672	8,610

CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE PURPOSES, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS.

For Parochial Missionary and Charitable work	$18,069 20
other local charities	12,762 19
Diocesan Board of Missions	2,517 66
other Diocesan Mission work	2,667 87
Domestic Missions through General Board	3,942 97
Domestic Missions through other channels	2,441 44
Foreign Missions through General Board	3,538 40
Foreign Missions through other channels	670 44
Indian Missions through General Board	832 29
Indian Missions through other channels	30 63
Home Missions to Colored People through General Board,	703 16
Home Missions to Colored People through other channels,	269 52
Diocesan Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc	1,145 72
Education for the Ministry	697 00
Miscellaneous and unspecified	10,578 60
Total Missionary and Charitable Contributions	$60,867 09

FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

For Support of Public Worship—	
Pew taxes and pew rents	$52,265 14
Offerings and subscriptions	63,517 46
All other sources except the Board of Missions	12,876 53
For all other Parish uses, not included under previous heads	26,330 53
Total for Parish purposes	$154,989 66
Total for all purposes	$215,856 75

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF AUDIT AND FINANCE

ON THE

Bishop's Salary and Convention Expenses.

The Board of Audit and Finance estimate the amount required to be assessed for the Bishop's Salary and Convention Expenses to be ($3,250) thirty-two hundred and fifty dollars, and recommend the following assessments: on

Churches.	Location.	Amount.
St. John's Chapel	Ashton	$20 00
Church of the Ascension	Auburn	3 00
St. John's Church	Barrington	25 00
St. Michael's Church	Bristol	175 00
Trinity Church	"	50 00
St. George's Church	Central Falls	8 00
St. Bartholomew's Church	Cranston	3 00
St. Philip's Church	Crompton	10 00
St. Luke's Church	East Greenwich	85 00
St. Mary's Church	East Providence	5 00
St. Thomas's Church	Greenville	3 00
St. Matthew's Church	Jamestown	8 00
Christ Church	Lonsdale	100 00
St. Peter's Church	Manton	3 00
Emmanuel Church	Manville	15 00
St. Peter's Church	Narragansett Pier	55 00
All Saints' Chapel	Newport	140 00
Emmanuel Church	"	70 00
St. George's Church	"	25 00
St. John's Chapel	"	25 00
Trinity Church	"	350 00

Church of the Good Shepherd	Pawtucket	$5 00
St. Paul's Church	"	150 00
Trinity Church	"	35 00
Trinity Chapel	Pawtuxet	3 00
All Saints' Church	Pontiac	10 00
St. Paul's Church	Portsmouth	6 00
All Saints' Memorial Church	Providence	150 00
Christ Church	"	20 00
Church of the Epiphany	"	25 00
Church of the Messiah	"	30 00
Church of the Redeemer	"	55 00
Church of the Saviour	"	18 00
Grace Church	"	525 00
St. James's Church	"	28 00
St. John's Church	"	420 00
St. Paul's Church	"	22 00
St. Stephen's Church	"	300 00
St. Mark's Church	Riverside	3 00
St. Mary's Church	South Portsmouth	12 00
Church of the Ascension	Wakefield	5 00
St. Mark's Church	Warren	50 00
Christ Church	Westerly	60 00
St. Paul's Church	Wickford	40 00
St. James's Church	Woonsocket	100 00
		$3,250 00

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

PROVIDENCE, June 4, 1889.

Dr. *Rhode Island Episcopal State Convention in account with John W. Angell, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1888.				1888.		
July 2.	To paid Rt. Rev. T. M. Clark,		$1,250 00		By balance,	$82 75
Oct. 3.	" "		650 00	June	Assessment, 1886:	
Nov. 3.	" "		100 00		St. Mark's, Riverside,	5 00
15.	" "		500 00		Assessment, 1888:	
1889.					St. John's Chapel, Ashton,	20 00
Jan. 1.	" "		850 00		St. John's Church, Barrington,	25 00
24.	" "		400 00		St. Michael's Church, Bristol,	175 00
April 2.	" "		500 00		Trinity Church, "	50 00
18.	" "		200 00		St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston,	3 00
May 6.	" "		150 00		St. George's Church, Central Falls,	16 00
18.	" "		250 00		St. Philip's Church, Crompton,	10 00
18.	" "		150 00		St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich,	100 00
18.	" "	travelling expenses,	100 00		St. Mary's Church, East Providence,	5 00
1888.					St. Thomas's Church, Greenville,	8 00
June 16.	" Journal, advertising,		3 75		St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown,	5 00
16.	" Sexton, Grace Church,		10 00		Christ Church, Lonsdale,	100 00
July 13.	" Refreshments at Convention,		100 00		St. Peter's Church, Manton,	3 00
17.	" J. A. Shaw, printing,		2 50		Emmanuel Church, Manville,	14 00
Aug. 15.	" S. H. Webb,		165 00		St. Peter's Church, Narragansett Pier,	45 00
24.	" Providence Press Co.,		319 45		All Saints' Church, Newport,	140 00
1889.					Emmanuel Church, "	75 00
May 9.	" Snow & Farnham,		13 75		St. John's Chapel, "	22 00
14.	" S. H. Webb, stationery,		2 00		Trinity Church, "	330 00
	Balance,		376 25		Zion Church, "	35 00
					St. Paul's, Church, Pawtucket,	150 00
					Trinity Church, "	45 00
					Trinity Chapel, Pawtuxet,	3 00
					All Saints' Church, Pontiac,	10 00
					St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth,	8 00
					All Saints's Memorial Church, Providence,	150 00
					Christ Church, "	20 00
					Church of Epiphany, "	25 00
					" Messiah, "	35 00
					" Redeemer, "	55 00
					" Saviour, "	20 00
					Grace Church, "	525 00
					St. James's, Church, "	25 00
					St. John's Church, "	400 00
					St. Paul's Church, "	20 00
Amount carried forward,			$6,092 70	Amount carried forward,		$2,759 75

Dr. *Rhode Island Episcopal State Convention in account with John W. Angell, Treasurer.—(Continued.)* *Cr.*

Amount brought forward,		$6,092 70	
		$6,092 70	
1888.			
June	Amount brought forward,		$2,759 75
	St. Stephen's Church, Providence,		300 00
	St. Mark's Church, Riverside,		5 00
	St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth,		10 00
	Church of Ascension, Wakefield,		8 00
	St. Mark's Church, Warren,		50 00
	Christ Church, Westerly		60 00
	St. Paul's Church, Wickford,		45 00
	St. James's Church, Woonsocket,		100 00
1888.			
June 29.	Trustees of Episcopal Fund,		450 00
Nov. 15.	" "		901 60
Dec. 4.	" "		450 00
1889.			
May 17.	" "		843 76
28.	J. A. Borland Fund,		100 00
	Interest,		9 59
			$6,092 70
June 1.	By balance,		$376 25

J. W. ANGELL, *Treasurer.*

PROVIDENCE, June 7, 1889.

We have this day examined the above account, and find the same correct.

F. E. RICHMOND,
WM. AMES, } *Board of Audit and Finance.*

Dr. *The J. A. Borland Fund in account with J. W. Angell, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1888.			1888.		
Nov. 19.	To F. Appleton, order of Bishop,	$100 00	June	By balance,	$4,674 63
1889.			30.	Boston and Albany R. R. dividend,	12 00
May 14.	" "	100 00	Sept. 3.	W. P. Hood, interest,	15 00
28.	Transfer, 1887,	100 00	29.	Boston and Albany R. R dividend,	12 00
	Balance,	4,598 64	Dec. 31.	" " "	12 00
			1889.		
			Feb. 28.	W. P. Hood, interest,	15 00
			Mar. 30.	Boston and Albany R. R. dividend,	12 00
			May 28.	R. I. Hospital Trust Company, interest,	146 01
		$4,898 64			$4,898 64

This fund consists of a deposit in the R. I. Hospital Trust Company,	$3,398 64
Six shares of stock in the Boston and Albany Railroad,	600 00
Mortgage note of W. P. Hood,	600 00
	$4,598 64

June 1. By balance, $4,598 64

PROVIDENCE, June 7, 1889.

We have this day examined the above account, and the securities therein named, and find the same correct.

F. E. RICHMOND, WM. AMES, } *Board of Audit and Finance.*

Dr. *Legacy of Lydia A. Mowry, in account with J. W. Angell, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1888.			1888.		
Nov. 28.	To paid E. O. Angell, Treasurer St. Peter's,	$21 15	June 1.	By balance,	$940 00
1889.				dividends,	39 95
May 16.	" " " "	18 80			
	Balance,	940 00			
		$979 95			$979 95
	This fund is deposited in the R. I. Hospital Trust Company,	$940 00	1889.		
			June 1.	By balance,	$940 00

PROVIDENCE, June 7, 1889.

We have this day examined the above account, and the securities therein named, and find the same correct.

F. E. RICHMOND, WM. AMES, } *Board of Audit and Finance.*

J. W. ANGELL, *Treasurer.*

Dr. *The Mary A. and Abby A. Goddard Fund, in account with J. W. Angell, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1889.			1888.		
June 1.	To balance,	$1,126 14	June 1.	By balance,	$1,082 42
			1889.		
			Jan. 1.	dividends,	43 72
		$1,126 14			$1,126 14
	This fund is deposited in the Providence Institution for Savings,	$1,126 14	1889.		
			June 1	By balance,	$1,126 14

PROVIDENCE, June 7, 1889.

We have this day examined the above account, and the securities therein named, and find the same correct.

F. E. RICHMOND, WM. AMES, } *Board of Audit and Finance.*

J. W. ANGELL, *Treasurer.*

Dr. *Fund for the Benefit of St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston, in account with J. W. Angell, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1889.			1888.		
June 1.	To balance,	$593 25	June 1.	By balance,	$517 08
			1889.		
			Jan. 15.	dividends,	26 17
			May 27.	St. Agnes' Society,	50 00
		$593 25			$593 25
	This fund is a deposit in the Mechanics Savings Bank,	$593 25	1889. June 1.	By balance,	$593 25

PROVIDENCE, June 7, 1889.

We have this day examined the above account, and the securities therein named, and find the same correct.

F. E. RICHMOND, WM. AMES, } *Board of Audit and Finance.*

J. W. ANGELL, *Treasurer.*

Dr. *Mary G. Hicks Fund, in account with J. W. Angell, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1888.			1888.		
Sept. 3.	To paid St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth,	$40 09	June	By balance,	$559 12
1889.			Aug. 29.	dividend,	13 97
Feb. 27.	" " "	13 32	1889.		
	balance,	533 00	Feb. 26.	dividend,	13 32
		$586 41			$586 41
	This fund is a deposit in the Mechanics Savings Bank,	$533 00	1889. June	By balance,	$533 00

PROVIDENCE, June 7, 1889.

We have this day examined the above account, and the securities therein named, and find the same correct.

F. E. RICHMOND, WM. AMES, } *Board of Audit and Finance.*

J. W. ANGELL, *Treasurer.*

Dr. *The Adelia C. Miller Fund, in account with J. W. Angell, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1888.			1888.		
Nov. 28.	To paid St. Peter's Church, Manton,	$20 00	June	By balance,	$1,000 00
1889.			Nov. 21.	dividend Blackstone Canal National Bank,	20 00
May 22.	" " "	20 00	1889.		
	balance,	1,000 00	Jan. 4.	" " " " "	20 00
		$1,040 00			$1,040 00

This fund is forty shares of stock in the Blackstone Canal National Bank,

1889.
June Balance, $1,000 00

J. W. ANGELL, *Treasurer.*

PROVIDENCE, June 7, 1889.

We have this day examined the above account, and the securities therein named, and find the same correct.

F. E. RICHMOND, WM. AMES, } *Board of Audit and Finance.*

Dr. *Depository Board, in account with Jacob H. Martin, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1888.			1888.		
Church of the Ascension:			June 5.	Balance from old account, Providence Institution for Savings,	$122 08
John A. Howland, Superintendent Sunday School, order on H. Gregory,	$19 20			Convention Offering, 1888, deposited in Providence Institution for Savings,	21 50
Church of the Good Shepherd, Rev. B. Eastwood, order on H. Gregory,	19 20			Interest on same,	1 00
St. Mark's Church, Riverside, Rev. Otis O. Wright, order on H. Gregory,	19 20			Interest from January 1, 1888, to January 1, 1889, Providence Institution for Savings,	4 92
Christ Church, Providence, Rev. S. H. Webb, order on H. Gregory,	10 00				
Balance to new account,	81 90				
	$149 50				$149 50

PROVIDENCE, June 4, 1889.

We have this day examined the above account, and the securities therein named, and find the same correct

C. B. FARNSWORTH,
F. E. RICHMOND,
WM. AMES,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

Balance to new account, $81 90

JACOB H. MARTIN, *Treasurer.*

Dr. Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Rhode Island, in account with the Trustees of the Fund, (Principal.) Cr.

1889.			1888.		
May 31.	To balance carried forward to new account, the same being invested as follows:		May. 3.	By balance brought forward from old account,	$60,164 85
	Deposit in Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co., on participation account,	$35,135 96	1889.		
	Deposit in People's Savings Bank, in Providence,	4,000 00	Feb. 27.	By donation to the fund received this day from T. P. I. Goddard, Esq., viz.: Two first mortgage 5 per cent. gold bonds of the King's County Elevated Railway for one thousand dollars each,	2,000 00
	Twenty bonds Marion County Indiana 4½ per cent., for $1,000, each, cost,	19,975 00			
	Deposit in Providence Institution for Savings,	553 89			
	Subscription note,	500 00			
	Two first mortgage 5 per cent. gold bonds of the King's County Elevated Railway for $1000 each,	2,000 00			
		$62,164 85			$62,164 85
			1889.		
			May 31.	By balance brought forward from old account,	$62,164 85

PROVIDENCE, June 1, 1889.

We have this day examined the above account and the securities therein named, and find the same correct.

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

PROVIDENCE, May 31, 1889.
E. & O. E.

CHARLES MORRIS SMITH,
JOHN B. ANTHONY,
} *Trustees*

Dr. *Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Rhode Island, in account with Trustees of the Fund, (Income.)* *Cr.*

1888.			
June 29.	To amount paid J. W. Angell, Treasurer,		$450 00
Nov. 14.	" " " "		901 60
Dec. 4.	" " " "		450 00
1889.			
May 17.	" " " "		843 76
			$2,645 36

1888.			
June 1.	By one year's interest on subscription note,		$30 00
" 1.	coupons Marion County bonds 4½ per cent.,		450 00
Nov. 14.	6 months interest Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company, participation account,		790 54
	6 months interest, Providence Institution for Savings,		11 06
	6 months interest, People's Savings Bank,		100 00
Dec. 1.	coupons Marion County bonds 4½ per cent.,		450 00
1889.			
May 10.	6 months interest, Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company, participation account,		702 70
	6 months interest, People's Savings Bank,		100 00
	6 months interest, Providence Institution for Savings,		11 06
			$2,645 36

PROVIDENCE, June 1, 1889.

We have this day examined the above account and find the same correct.

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

PROVIDENCE, May 31, 1889.

E. & O. E.

JOHN B. ANTHONY,
CHARLES MORRIS SMITH,
} *Trustees.*

Dr. *Diocesan Board of Missions, in account with Rathbone Gardner, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1889.			1888.			
June 1.	For amount paid *Rev. B. Eastwood*, for services at Pawtucket, June 30, 1888, $62.50; October 1, 1888, $62.50; December 31, 1888, $62.50; April 1, 1889, $62.50,	$250 00	June 1.	By balance from old account,		$961 05
	For amount paid *Rev. P. Duryea*, for services at Wakefield, June 30, 1888, $37.50; October 1, 1888, $37.50,	75 00	July 30.	proceeds of note, $600, at Rhode Island National Bank,		589 50
	For amount paid *George G. Pearce*, Treasurer, for services at Wakefield, Jan. 2, 1889, $37.50; April 1, 1889, $37.50,	75 00	Oct. 1.	proceeds of note, $400, at Rhode Island National Bank,		391 60
	For amount paid *Rev. W. W. Sever*, for services at Central Falls, and Valley Falls, June 30, 1888, $87.50; October 1, 1888, $87.50; December 31, 1888, $87.50; April 1, 1889, $87.50,	350 00	Dec. 3.	proceeds of note, $600, at Rhode Island National Bank,		588 63
	For amount paid *Rev. S. H. Webb*, for services at South Providence, June 30, 1883, $75.00; October 1, 1888, $75.00; December 31, 1888, $75.00; April 1, 1889, $75.00,	300 00	1889.			
	For amount paid *Rev. S. C. M. Orpen*, for services at Crompton and Phenix, June 30, 1888, $50.00; October 1, 1888, $50.00; December 31, 1888, $50.00; April 1, 1888, $50.00,	200 00	Feb. 4.	proceeds of note, $400, at Rhode Island National Bank,		392 48
	For amount paid *Rev. Otis O. Wright*, for services at Riverside, June 30, 1888, $100.00; October 1, 1888, $100.00; December 31, 1888, $100.00; April 1, 1889, $100.00,	400 00	April 1.	proceeds of note, $600, at Rhode Island National Bank,		588 54
	For amount paid *Rev. H. M. Bartlett*, for services at Cranston, June 30, 1888, $25.00; October 1, 1888, $25.00; January 2, 1889, $25.00; April 1, 1889, $25.00,	100 00	June 1.	contributions as per statement,		2,566 20
	For amount paid *Rev. J. S. Pearce*, for services at Portsmouth, June 30, 1888, $62.50; October 1, 1888, $62.50; January 2, 1889, $62.50; April 1, 1889, $62.50,	250 00				
	For amount paid *Rev. W. I. Magill*, for services at Greenville, June 22, 1888, $41.66,	41 66				
	For amount paid *Rev. C. E. Preston*, for services at Greenville, October 13, 1888, $62.50; January 12, 1889, $20.83; April 1, 1889, $62.50,	145 83				
	Amount carried forward,	$2,187 49		Amount carried forward,		$6,078 00

Dr. *Diocesan Board of Missions, in account with Rathbone Gardner, Treasurer.—(Continued.)* *Cr.*

Amount brought forward,		$2,187 49	1888. Amount brought forward,		$6,078 00
1889.					
June 1.	For amount paid *Rev. T. H. Cocroft*, for services at Manton and Mount Pleasant, June 30, 1888, $62 50; October 1, 1888, $62.50: January 2, 1889, $62.50; April 1, 1889, $62.50,	250.00			
	For amount paid *J. B. Hanaford*, Treasurer, for services at Apponaug, June 30, 1888, $62.50; October 1, 1888, $62.50; December 31, 1888, $62.50; April 1, 1889, $62.50,	250 00			
	For amount paid *Mr. Frank Appleton*, for services at Eagle Pond, June 30, 1888, (by Rev. H. U. Munroe,) $25.00; October 1, 1888, (by Rev. H. U. Munroe,) $25.00; January 2, 1889, (by Rev. Samuel Snelling,) $25.00; April 1, 1889, (by Rev. Samuel Snelling,) $25.00,	$100 00			
		$2,787 49			
1888.					
June 7.	Paid note Rhode Island National Bank,	400 00			
Aug. 3.	" " "	600 00			
Dec. 7.	" " "	600 00			
1889.					
Feb.	account E. A. Johnson & Co., printing pamphlets, etc.,	33 00			
4.	note Rhode Island National Bank,	400 00			
April 6.	" " "	600 00			
	Balance to new account,	657 51			
		$6,078 00	Amount carried forward,		$6,078 00

Dr. *Diocesan Board of Missions, in account with Rathbone Gardner, Treasurer.—(Continued.)* *Cr.*

1889.			1888.		
Received since closing account from:			June 1. By balance brought forward, cash		
St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket,	$7 00		in Rhode Island National		
Mission of the Advent, Pawtucket,	3 00		Bank,		$657 00
Church of the Messiah, Providence,	25 00		Note at Rhode Island National		
St. Andrew's Mission, "	2 00		Bank, due June 7,	$400 00	
Church of the Redeemer, "	13 73		Note at Rhode Island National		
St. John's Church, Barrington,	15 74		Bank, due August 4,	600 00	
Trinity Church, Pawtucket,	15 00				1,000 00
St. Peter's Church, Manton,	4 00				
St. Matthew's Church, Jamestown,	4 50				
St. Thomas's Church, Eagle Park,	2 00				
St. Paul's Church, Wickford,	20 00				
St. Mark's Sunday School, Warren,	25 00				
All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence,	25 00				
Trinity Church, Bristol,	11 00				
St. Michael's Church, Bristol,	10 00				
Missionary Meeting, Grace Church,	183 75				
	$356 72		Actual deficit,		$342 49

PROVIDENCE, June 7, 1889.

We have this day examined the above account, and the securities therein named, and find the same correct.

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
Board of Audit and Finance.

PROVIDENCE, June 1, 1889.
E. & O. E.

RATHBONE GARDNER,
Treasurer.

Contributions for Diocesan Missions for the year ending June 1, 1889.

CONTRIBUTORS.	LOCATION.	1888. June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1889. Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	Totals.
St. Barnabas's Church	Apponaug	$2 00			$1 60			$2 23				$2 04		$7 87
St. John's Church	Ashton										$19 00			19 00
St. Michael's Church	Bristol												$80 00	80 00
St. George's Church	Central Falls	3 50			4 00				$3 00		3 50			14 00
St. Bartholomew's Church	Cranston	3 00							1 50				2 00	6 50
St. Philip's Church	Crompton							2 00				12 00		14 00
St. Luke's Church	East Greenwich				132 27									132 22
St. Thomas's Church	Greenville											2 45		2 45
Christ Church	Lonsdale										61 85		28 15	90 00
St. Peter's Church	Manton								1 35			4 75		6 10
Emmanuel Church	Manville				5 00				5 00			4 25		14 25
St. Andrew's Mission	Mount Pleasant								80					80
All Saints' Memorial Church	Newport				69 97	$70 63								140 60
Emmanuel Church	"	11 25											67 00	78 25
St. George's Church	"												22 00	22 00
St. John's Chapel	"	5 39												5 39
Trinity Church	"		$34 15								30 43		26 30	90 88
Church of the Good Shepherd	Pawtucket	3 85						5 86			5 05			14 76
St. Paul's Church	"		25 00				$25 00		25 00		17 07		25 00	117 07
Trinity Church	"						10 00							10 00
St. Andrew's Church	Phenix							1 50				8 00		9 50
St. Paul's Church	Portsmouth								9 00					9 00
All Saints' Church	Pontiac							6 65			7 00			13 65
All Saints' Memorial Church	Providence												37 76	37 76

Contributions for Diocesan Missions for the year ending June 1, 1889.—(Continued.)

CONTRIBUTORS.	LOCATION.	1888. June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1889. Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	Totals.
Christ Church	Providence	$4 50				$4 50		$4 50				$4 50		$18 00
Church of the Epiphany	"											53 74		53 74
Church of the Redeemer	"	23 81												23 81
Church of the Saviour	"											10 00		10 00
Grace Church	"							300 00			$227 86	26 00		553 86
St. James' Church	"											25 00		25 00
St. John's Church	"		41 93					220 74			100 00			362 67
St. Paul's Church	"	6 16									8 17		$15 79	30 12
St. Stephen's Church	"												250 66	250 66
St. Mark's Mission	Riverside				$1 00			1 50			1 80			4 30
St. Mary's Church	South Portsmouth												3 90	3 90
Trinity Church	South Scituate	1 00												1 00
St. Philip's Mission	Valley Falls	1 50				1 50			$2 00		1 50			6 50
Church of the Ascension	Wakefield	6 55		$6 36				3 00						15 91
St. Mark's Church	Warren										31 00		17 15	48 15
St. Paul's Church	Wickford	25 00						20 00						45 00
Christ Church	Westerly	30 00										14 00	60 48	104 48
From Rev. E. H. Porter		11 00												11 00
St. James's Church	Woonsocket							62 00						62 00
		$138 51	$101 08	$6 36	$213 84	$76 63	$35 00	$629 98	$47 65		$514 23	$166 73	$636 19	$2,566 20

Dr. *Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen and of Superannuated and Infirm Clergymen of the Diocese of Rhode Island, in account with Charles T. Dorrance, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1889.				1888.		
June 5.	To allowances to beneficiaries, paid quarterly during the year, as below:			June 1.	By balance from old account,	$23,927 49
	Number 2,	$400 00		1889.		
	" 3,	100 00		June 5.	collections in parishes as per Schedule "A" herewith, $1,103 38	
	" 4,	300 00			income from investments, as per Schedule "B" herewith, 1,081 45	
	" 5,	300 00				2,184 83
	" 7,	300 00				
	" 8,	400 00				
	" 9,	150 00				
			$1,950 00			
	To balance to new account on hand and invested as below:					
	In People's Savings Bank,	$4,668 89				
	Providence Institution for Savings,	1,243 30				
	Rhode Island " "	135 00				
	Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co., "participation,"	1,087 71				
	5 per cent. bonds, City of St. Paul,	5,000 00				
	5 per cent. bonds, Keokuck and Des Moines Railway Co.,	2,000 00				
	4 per cent. bonds, Chicago, Burlington Quincy Railroad Co., $9,000, at $86,	7,740 00				
	Mortgage on real estate,	1,500 00				
	Cash on deposit in Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co.,	787 42				
			24,162 32			
			$26,112 32			$26,112 32

PROVIDENCE, June 7, 1889.

We have this day examined the above account, and the securities therein named, and find the same correct.

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

1889.
June 5. By balance on hand, $24,162 32

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PROVIDENCE, June 6, 1889.

CHAS. T. DORRANCE, *Treasurer.*

Fund for Relief of Widows, Orphans, etc.—(Continued).

SCHEDULE "A."

Contributions from the following parishes:	
St. Barnabas's Church, Apponaug,	$1 65
St. John's Chapel, Ashton,	5 00
St. John's Church, Barrington,	6 86
St. Michael's Church, Bristol,	47 87
Trinity Church, Bristol,	4 84
St. George's Church, Central Falls,	5 00
St. Bartholomew's Church, Cranston,	1 00
St. Philip's Church, Crompton,	2 00
St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich,	20 92
St. Mary's Church, East Providence,	2 00
Christ Church, Lonsdale,	12 00
St. Peter's Church, Manton,	1 60
Emmanuel Church, Manville,	14 00
All Saints' Chapel, Newport,	103 10
Emmanuel Church, Newport,	20 24
St. John's Church, Newport,	5 00
St. George's Church, Newport,	13 81
Trinity Church, Newport,	167 52
St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket,	10 00
Trinity Church, Pawtucket,	8 32
Trinity Chapel, Pawtuxet,	1 00
St. Andrew's Church, Phenix,	1 00
All Saints' Church, Pontiac,	11 76
St. Paul's Church, Portsmouth,	3 50
All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence,	28 91
Christ Church, Providence,	3 00
Church of the Epiphany, Providence,	4 06
Church of the Messiah, Providence,	5 30
Church of the Redeemer, Providence,	9 70
Church of the Saviour, Providence,	9 00
Grace Church, Providence,	52 54
St. James's Church, Providence,	5 00
St. John's Church, Providence,	178 80
St. Paul's Church, Providence,	15 92
St. Stephen's Church, Providence,	254 16
St. Mark's Church, Riverside,	1 80
St. Mary's Church, South Portsmouth,	15 90
Church of the Ascension, Wakefield,	4 00
St. Mark's Church, Warren,	10 00
Christ Church, Westerly,	15 30
St. Paul's Church, Wickford,	10 00
St. James's Church, Woonsocket,	10 00
	$1,103 38

SCHEDULE "B."

June, 1889.

Income from investments:		
Interest on deposit in People's Savings Bank,		$224 94
Interest on deposit in Providence Institution for Savings,		48 26
Interest on deposit in Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co.,	$23 44	
Interest on deposit in Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co., participation account,	21 32	
		44 76
Interest on deposit in Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co.,	6 38	
Interest on deposit in Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co., cash balance,	3 36	
		9 74
Interest on mortgage on real estate,		43 75
Interest on St. Paul's City bonds, $5,000,		250 00
Interest on Keokuck and Des Moines Railway Co. bonds, $2,000,		100 00
Interest on Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad Co. bonds, $9,000,		360 00
		$1,081 45

Dr. *Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes, in account with Edward D. Bassett, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1889.			1888.		
April 15.	To Charles E. Boon, insurance Trinity Church, Scituate,	$15 00	June 1.	By balance from old account,	$514 65
June 1.	balance to new account this day,	525 67	1889.		
			Jan. 1.	one year's dividends, People's Savings Bank, Providence.	26 02
		$540 67			$540 67

This fund consists of a deposit in the People's Savings Bank, Providence, of $525 67

1889.
June 1. Balance from old account, $525 67

PROVIDENCE, June 4, 1889.

We have this day examined the above account, and the securities therein named, and find the same correct.

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

EDWARD D. BASSETT, *Treasurer.*

Dr. Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes for the benefit of Pontiac, in account with E. D. Bassett, Treasurer. Cr.

1889.			1888.		
June 1.	To cash to new account this day,	$751 04	June 1.	By cash from old account this day,	$714 89
			1889.		
			Jan. 1.	dividends People's Savings Bank, Providence,	30 70
			"	Citizens " " "	5 45
		$751 04			$751 04
	This fund consists of a deposit in People's Savings Bank, Providence,	$637 58	1889.		
	Citizens Savings Bank, Providence,	113 46	June 1.	By amount from old account,	$751 04
		$751 04			

PROVIDENCE, June 4, 1889.

EDWARD D. BASSETT, *Treasurer.*

We have this day examined the above account, and the securities therein named, and find the same correct.

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

Dr. *Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes, for Rectory Fund, St. Mary's Church, East Providence, in account with E. D. Bassett, Treasurer.* *Cr.*

1889. June 1. To cash to new account this day,	$1,477 94	1888. June 1. By cash from old account,	$1,406 77
		1889. Jan. 1. dividends People's Savings Bank, Providence,	71 17
	$1,477 94		$1,477 94
This fund consists of a deposit in the People's Savings Bank, Providence,	$1,477 94	1889. June 1. By cash from old account,	$1,477 94

PROVIDENCE, June 4, 1889.

We have this day examined the above account, and the securities therein named, and find the same correct.

F. E. RICHMOND,
C. B. FARNSWORTH,
WM. AMES,
} *Board of Audit and Finance.*

EDWARD D. BASSETT, *Treasurer.*

"	Church of the Messiah.....	Thomas H. Cocroft.....	Joseph Gough, Edward M. Winsor.	61	2	63	21	20	21	41	12	15	320	53	74	32	350	382
"	Church of the Redeemer.....	Frederick J. Bassett.....	George D. Briggs, C. B. Manchester.	27	5	32	13	13	....	13	8	5	250	10	23	25	225	250
"	Church of the Saviour.....	Vacant.....	A. W. Mathewson, Charles H. Mumford.	12	2	14	1	2	4	6	3	....	149	8	7	17	103	120
"	Grace Church.....	Charles H. Babcock, D.D	John B. Anthony, Charles Morris Smith.	35	7	42	28	28	74	102	11	37	1,184	39	36	80	547	627
"	St. Andrew's Mission.....	Thomas H. Cocroft.....	.....	10	....	10	9	9	2	11	....	....	26	2	5	6	45	51
"	St. James's Church.....	Julius W. Atwood.....	A. M. Bowen, Ebenezer Nichols.	16	2	18	10	10	40	50	6	13	181	4	7	20	206	226
"	St. John's Church.....	C. A. L. Richards, D. D..	John W. Vernon, Oren Westcott.	12	2	14	17	17	....	17	7	....	400	19	23	50	300	350
"	St. Paul's Church.....	Samuel Snelling.....	William Foster, William Staples.	34	6	40	11	11	10	21	6	8	138	7	26	14	141	155
"	St. Stephen's Church.....	G. McClellan Fiske, S.T.D	William Ames, R. H. I. Goddard.	52	24	76	60	59	15	74	4	2	538	12	31	23	240	263
"	St. Thomas's Church.....	Samuel Snelling...	William J. Uglow, James Slater.	15	1	16	5	7	1	8	1	....	45	1	2	15	125	140
Riverside.....	St. Mark's Church.....	Otis O. Wright.....	Amasa Humphrey, James Mortin.	6	2	8	3	3	17	20	....	8	78	5	6	10	60	70
Valley Falls.....	St. Philip's Mission.....	Winslow W. Sever.....	.....	9	2	11	9	9	....	9	1	2	41	....	4	4	41	45
Wakefield.....	Church of the Ascension.....	Vacant.....	George G. Pearse, Francis M. Donally.	7	3	10	9	9	1	10	2	....	79	1	7	12	125	137
Warren.....	St. Mark's Church.....	Vacant.....	Alfred B. Gardner, John Waterman.	7	4	11	11	11	8	19	7	....	222	3	20	17	175	192
Westerly.....	Christ Church.....	William M. Groton.....	Edwin Babcock, William Hoxsey.	17	5	22	8	8	13	21	4	18	232	12	13	25	285	310
Wickford	St. Paul's Church.....	Albert J. Thompson.....	James A. Greene, C. F. Wightman.	36	19	55	11	11	4	15	1	3	123	4	9	17	100	117
Woonsocket.....	St. James's Church.....	William Sheafe Chase....	Lyman A. Cook, Henry Andrews.	17	10	27	36	36	18	54	2	5	322	17	20	39	267	306
				833	227	1,060	578	576	436	1012	161	292	9,102	361	728	938	7,672	8,610

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS,

JUNE, 1889.

PLACES.	PARISHES.	RECTOR OR MINISTER.	WARDENS.	BAPTISMS.			CONFIRMATIONS.	COMMUNICANTS.						MARRIAGES.	BURIALS.	SUNDAY-SCHOOL.		
								ADDED.										
				Infants.	Adults.	Total.		New.	By Removal.	Total.	Died.	Removed.	Present Number.			Teachers and Officers.	Scholars.	Total.
Apponaug	St. Barnabas's Church	Percy Barnes	C. P. Thornton, William Richardson.	3	2	5	....	....	....	....	1	2	42	4	2	6	46	52
Ashton	St. John's Chapel	Robert Murray	George Sparhawk, William H. Beebe.	11	2	13	12	12	....	12	1	10	76	6	11	23	254	277
Auburn	Church of the Ascension	Vacant	John A. Howland, William H. Goodrich.	3	....	3	2	2	9	11	....	....	.....	....	....	13	64	77
Barrington	St. John's Church	William M. Chapin	George A. Church, William T. Lewis.	14	8	22	7	7	....	7	....	8	94	5	5	4	30	34
Bristol	St. Michael's Church	George L. Locke	Jonathan D. Waldron, Thomas J. Usher.	16	2	18	11	11	2	13	13	2	430	3	35	37	263	300
"	Trinity Church	William R. Trotter	John P. Reynolds, H. Frank Monroe.	5	4	9	11	11	3	14	4	....	217	4	11	17	112	129
Central Falls	St. George's Church	Winslow W. Sever	George A. Kent, Thomas Oldham.	33	....	33	13	13	9	22	8	4	125	6	37	11	110	121
Cranston	St. Bartholomew's Church	Hamilton M. Bartlett	Charles Slocum, John Gee.	3	....	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	32	....	....	8	75	83
Crompton	St. Philip's Church	S. C. M. Orpen		9	4	13	3	3	2	5	2	6	95	11	17	14	175	189
East Greenwich	St. Luke's Church	Daniel Goodwin	James H. Eldridge, Stukely B. Wickes.	15	0	13	4	4	....	4	1	....	174	2	8	25	163	188
East Providence	St. Mary's Church	George R. Spink	William T. Kilton, William E. Ripley.	12	11	23	11	11	1	12	1	25	72	5	24	20	132	152
Greenville	St. Thomas's Church	Vacant	Joseph A. Estes, Nathan S. Vaughn.	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	1	1	68	....	1	7	40	47
Jamestown	St. Matthew's Church	Wm. S. Child, S. T. D.		....	2	2	....	1	2	3	1	....	44	1	1	.....	35	35
Lonsdale	Christ Church	L. Walter Lott	S. D. Learned, Addison Kinsman.	32	2	34	14	14	1	15	2	2	234	8	9	32	293	325
Manton	St. Peter's Church	Thomas H. Cocroft	Elisha O. Angell, Albert T. Mansfield.	2	3	5	9	9	2	11	1	2	68	3	5	13	95	108
Manville	Emmanuel Church	Herman Lilienthal	William Waterman, Cyrus Cook.	16	4	20	3	3	....	3	1	4	63	1	11	12	84	96
Middletown	Berkley Chapel	John B. Diman		10	3	13	4	4	1	5	1	3	24	1	6	4	20	24
Narragansett Pier	St. Peter's Church	William N. Ackley		....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....
Newport	All Saints' Chapel	Vacant		....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	.....
"	Emmanuel Church	Robert B. Peet	John M. Taylor, Andrew K. McMahon.	32	11	43	28	28	9	37	8	12	281	6	28	21	203	224
"	St. John's Church	S. Wilson Moran	Willard Eddy, John Clark Weaver.	11	5	16	8	8	2	10	2	1	170	4	6	14	85	99
"	Trinity Church	George J. Magill	Le Roy King, Rodman Cornell.	26	3	29	16	13	115	128	8	34	529	7	18	36	225	261
"	St. George's Church	Charles G. Gilliat	William H. Sherman, James H. Barney.	11	5	16	11	11	4	15	2	10	106	3	16	14	100	114
Pawtucket	Church of the Good Shepherd	Benjamin Eastwood	Richard Roberts, Michael Ludgate.	28	1	29	14	14	2	16	....	....	123	11	24	22	190	212
"	St. Paul's Church	Emery H. Porter	Charles W. Allen, William W. Blodgett,	49	6	55	26	26	3	29	8	5	354	23	28	17	200	217
"	Trinity Church	William P. Tucker	Claudius B. Farnsworth, William Warburton.	15	2	17	9	9	6	15	4	13	170	7	11	16	120	136
Pawtuxet	Trinity Chapel	Hamilton M. Bartlett	William J. Burge, William B. Rhodes.	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	38	....	1	9	60	69
Phenix	St. Andrew's Church	S. C. M. Orpen	Ray G. Knight, Henry Lillburn.	2	1	3	5	6	1	7	....	1	58	....	3	6	48	54
Pontiac	All Saints' Church	E. S. Rousmaniere	Alfred Hawksworth, John Pollard.	25	7	32	15	15	11	26	....	3	82	2	7	20	135	155
Portsmouth	St. Mary's Church	Geo. Herbert Patterson	Robert S. Chase. William H. Gifford.	4	2	6	6	6	....	6	....	1	82	2	7	13	85	98
"	St. Paul's Church	J. Sturgis Pearce	George B. Anthony, Edward F. Anthony.	4	2	6	2	....	....	....	....	....	77	1	1	7	50	57
Providence	All Saints Memorial Church	Daniel Henshaw, S. T. D	George C. Nightingale, Edward R. Dawley.	26	9	35	18	18	10	28	10	16	395	11	16	24	240	264
"	Christ Church	Samuel H. Webb	William J. Crossley, George W. Dickinson.	26	5	31	12	12	2	14	3	2	240	17	42	20	230	250
"	Church of the Epiphany	Henry Bassett	Edward D. Bassett, William Halton.	17	25	42	42	42	11	53	3	9	211	10	24	47	375	422
"	Church of the Messiah	Thomas H. Cocroft	Joseph Gough, Edward M. Winsor.	61	2	63	21	20	21	41	12	15	320	53	74	32	350	382
"	Church of the Redeemer	Frederick J. Bassett	George D. Briggs, C. B. Manchester.	27	5	32	13	13	....	13	8	5	250	10	23	25	225	250
"	Church of the Saviour	Vacant	A. W. Mathewson, Charles H. Mumford.	12	2	14	1	2	4	6	3	....	149	8	7	17	103	120
"	Grace Church	Charles H. Babcock, D.D	John B. Anthony, Charles Morris Smith.	35	7	42	28	28	74	102	11	37	1,184	39	36	80	547	627
"	St. Andrew's Mission	Thomas H. Cocroft		10	....	10	9	9	2	11	....	....	26	2	5	6	45	51
"	St. James's Church	Julius W. Atwood	A. M. Bowen, Ebenezer Nichols.	16	2	18	10	10	40	50	6	13	181	4	7	20	206	226
"	St. John's Church	C. A. L. Richards, D. D.	John W. Vernon, Oren Westcott.	12	2	14	17	17	....	17	7	....	400	19	23	50	300	350
"	St. Paul's Church	Samuel Snelling	William Foster, William Staples.	34	6	40	11	11	10	21	6	8	138	7	26	14	141	155
"	St. Stephen's Church	G. McClellan Fiske, S.T.D	William Ames, R. H. I. Goddard.	52	24	76	60	59	15	74	4	2	538	12	31	23	240	263
"	St. Thomas's Church	Samuel Snelling	William J. Uglow, James Slater.	15	1	16	5	7	1	8	1	....	45	1	2	15	125	140
Riverside	St. Mark's Church	Otis O. Wright	Amasa Humphrey, James Mortin.	6	2	8	3	3	17	20	....	8	78	5	6	10	60	70
Valley Falls	St. Philip's Mission	Winslow W. Sever		9	2	11	9	9	....	9	1	2	41	....	4	4	41	45
Wakefield	Church of the Ascension	Vacant	George G. Pearse, Francis M. Donally.	7	3	10	9	9	1	10	2	....	79	1	7	12	125	137
Warren	St. Mark's Church	Vacant	Alfred B. Gardner, John Witherman.	7	4	11	11	11	8	19	7	....	222	3	20	17	175	192
Westerly	Christ Church	William M. Groton	Edwin Babcock, William Hoxsey.	17	5	22	8	8	13	21	4	18	232	12	13	25	285	310
Wickford	St. Paul's Church	Albert J. Thompson	James A. Greene, C. F. Wightman.	36	19	55	11	11	4	15	1	3	123	4	9	17	100	117
Woonsocket	St. James's Church	William Sheafe Chase	Lyman A. Cook, Henry Andrews.	17	10	27	36	36	18	54	2	5	322	17	20	39	267	306
				833	227	1,060	578	576	436	1012	161	292	9,102	361	728	938	7,672	8,610

L.	Receipts for Parish Purposes.					TOTAL FOR ALL PURPOSES.
	For Support of Public Worship.			For all other Purposes.	Total.	
	ew Taxes and Pew Rents.	fferings and Subscriptions.	ther sources except Board of Missions.			

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—Continued.

June, 1889.

PARISHES.	Missionary and Charitable Contributions, including the Communion Alms.															Receipts for Parish Purposes.					
	Parochial Missionary and Charitable Work.	Other Local Charities.	Diocesan Board of Missions.	Other Diocesan Mission Work.	Domestic Missions, through General Board.	Domestic Missions, through other Channels.	Foreign Missions, through General Board.	Foreign Missions, through other Channels.	Indian Missions, through General Board.	Indian Missions, through other Channels.	Home Missions for Colored People, through General Board.	Home Missions for Colored People, through other Channels.	Widows and Orphans, etc., Diocesan Fund.	Education for the Ministry.	Miscellaneous and Unspecified.	Total.	For Support of Public Worship.			For all other Purposes.	Total.	Total for all Purposes.
																	Pew Taxes and Pew Rents.	Offerings and Subscriptions.	Other sources except Board of Missions.			
Apponaug, St. Barnabas's			$7 97										$1 60			$9 57	$86 00	$336 90		$143 00	$565 90	$575 47
Ashton, St. John's		$16 00	19 00					$15 00					5 00		$327 07	376 00	671 14	669 05		12 21	1,352 40	1,728 47
Auburn, Ascension															5 73	5 73		420 33		1,638 58	2,058 91	2,064 64
Barrington, St. John's	$61 00	54 66	11 30		$19 15		$19 15						6 86		55 07	227 19	519 28	1,087 57		1,010 19	2,617 04	2,844 23
Bristol, St. Michael's	702 43	676 49	95 00	45 00	45 00		140 00	20 00	$80 00		$25 00		37 87		309 83	2,236 62	1,698 60	1,546 79	$815 16	244 12	4,304 67	6,541 29
" Trinity	100 00		11 00										4 84	$25 00		140 84		767 64	1,401 52		2,169 16	2,310 00
Central Falls, St. George's		15 00	14 00		6 50		6 50		6 50		6 50		5 00			60 00	812 13	526 50		95 41	1,434 04	1,494 04
Cranston, St. Bartholomew's			3 00										1 00			4 00		273 25			273 25	277 25
Crompton, St. Philip's			15 25		3 00		5 00						2 00		23 50	48 75	402 75	220 92	404 79		1,028 46	1,077 21
East Greenwich, St. Luke's	21 20	96 04	132 24	55 00	155 05	$85 65	111 20	10 00				$10 00	20 92		303 31	1,000 61	1,575 14	1,304 34	240 00	754 20	3,873 68	4,874 29
East Providence, St. Mary's													2 00		1 96	3 96		1,194 30		70 56	1,264 86	1,268 82
Greenville, St. Thomas's		1 50	7 45												14 25	23 20	144 00	107 35	395 26		646 61	669 81
Jamestown, St. Matthew's			4 50			2 82							9 50		64 07	80 89		1,273 83			1,273 83	1,354 72
Lonsdale, Christ Church	121 96		90 00	3 50	40 45	30 00	43 00			$10 70		25 00	12 00		59 50	436 11	1,623 39	652 00		145 48	2,420 87	2,856 98
Manton, St. Peter's	22 06		6 82										1 60		20 00	50 42		236 36	101 46		337 82	388 24
Manville, Emmanuel	5 75		19 00		24 50	5 00	12 50	10 00	12 75				14 00		62 70	166 20	924 55	200 00		90 03	1,214 58	1,380 78
Middletown, Berkeley Chapel															104 00	104 50		557 88		1,000 00	1,557 88	1,661 88
Narragansett Pier, St. Peter's																		2,360 61			2,360 61	2,360 61
Newport, All Saints' Chapel	308 80	330 22	140 60	36 96	41 50		42 29						103 10		236 88	1,240 41	3,245 00			110 23	3,355 23	4,595 64
" Emmanuel	358 46		67 00		38 64		31 03					45 00	20 24		7 59	567 96		2,721 21		10,010 48	12,731 69	13,299 65
" St. John's	97 61					39 11							5 00		55 00	196 72		2,139 03			2,139 03	2,335 75
" Trinity	5,010 46	195 58	90 88	150 00	280 60	809 92	162 93		51 13		101 67		167 52	200 00	1,345 25	8,565 94	8,000 00				8,000 00	16,565 94
" St. George's	130 00		32 87		11 00		11 00						13 81		36 35	235 03	1,128 35	2,558 39	170 00	50 00	3,906 74	4,141 77
Pawtucket, Good Shepherd			14 76													14 76	529 91	177 69	482 25		1,189 85	1,204 61
" St. Paul's	169 20	47 00	124 07	53 50	15 06		20 00		5 00		5 00		10 00	10 00	116 14	574 91	1,985 29	1,915 68	601 32	645 00	5,147 29	5,722 20
" Trinity	62 84	32 35	25 00	19 24	17 00		17 00	9 82		8 05		15 00	8 32	3 65	68 34	286 61	1,221 37	674 21		531 85	2,427 43	2,714 04
Pawtuxet, Trinity		12 50	4 00								5 00		1 00		3 00	25 50		377 65	30 46	208 06	616 17	641 67
Phenix, St. Andrew's			9 00										1 00		27 50	37 50		477 86			477 86	515 36
Pontiac, All Saints'	195 00	30 00	13 65	10 00	18 00		18 00		18 00		18 00	40 00	11 76		171 80	544 21		1,260 30		463 86	1,724 16	2,268 37
Portsmouth, St. Mary's	2 33	43 29	2 86		16 47	37 50	5 60	17 43	11 05		9 58		15 90	8 55	37 64	208 20		1,338 67	213 05	618 53	2,170 25	2,378 45
" S. Paul's		20 75	9 20										3 50			33 45	950 00			540 00	1,490 00	1,523 45
Providence: All Saints' Memorial	581 00	307 00	62 76	35 00	133 61	171 25	304 59		37 61		39 28	92 44	28 91		319 52	2,112 97	1,760 07	2,674 07	75 00		4,509 14	6,622 11
Christ Church	26 00	21 00	18 00		12 50		12 50			4 00			3 00		20 00	117 00		944 85	354 94	2,230 00	3,529 79	3,646 79
Church of the Epiphany	145 00	27 00	53 74	15 00	23 85	15 00	23 85	10 00				10 00	4 06			327 50		1,947 77		506 52	2,454 29	2,781 79
Church of the Messiah	247 00	25 46	25 00	40 00		13 00		27 00					5 30	20 00	180 26	583 02	1,183 01	468 47	624 50	613 36	2,839 34	3,472 36
Church of the Redeemer	70 81	9 63	36 81	20 00	75 08	110 00	7 64	117 25		5 38		10 08	9 70	150 00	95 00	717 38		2,435 35	585 00	235 00	3,255 35	3,972 73
Church of the Saviour			10 00										8 13		169 99	188 12	193 00	1,280 55			1,473 55	1,661 67
Grace Church	3,510 46	3,184 23	400 00	1,588 25	460 89	652 58		393 94	135 50		101 56		101 30	115 00	1,711 00	12,354 71	10,649 05	3,286 52			13,935 57	26,290 28
St. Andrew's Mission	35 00	1 25													5 00	41 25		200 25			200 25	241 50
St. James's	472 04	18 50	25 00	15 00	15 00	13 70	10 00	3 00	5 00				5 00	15 00		597 24		1,738 02		194 04	1,932 06	2,529 30
St. John's	2,888 49	5,663 13	361 97	469 92	2,024 72	194 11	2,130 56		241 50		253 27		178 80		2,951 30	17,357 77	5,935 05	4,581 30	2,131 38	324 23	12,971 96	30,329 73
St. Paul's		20 00	23 96	11 50				2 00		2 50		2 00	10 92		80 11	152 99		2,701 95	240 00		2,941 95	3,094 94
St. Stephen's	2,047 78	1,743 29	250 66	100 00	274 47	245 00	275 77		154 25		104 76	10 00	254 16	126 95	1,344 00	6,931 09	4,948 22	7,073 20		1,150 68	13,172 10	20,103 19
St. Thomas's			2 00		18 50		13 00									33 50		225 00		100 00	325 00	358 50
Riverside, St. Mark's	49 77		4 30										1 80			55 87		533 72		132 95	666 67	722 54
Valley Falls, St. Philip's			6 50													6 50		174 31		138 72	313 03	319 53
Wakefield, Ascension			15 91										4 00			19 91		694 29		115 93	810 22	830 13
Warren, St. Mark's	78 00	56 35	73 15		43 05		45 05						10 00	22 85	71 75	400 20	14 30	1,257 94	226 01	119 57	1,617 82	2,018 02
Westerly, Christ Church	104 00	69 64	74 48		34 44		59 24	25 00	60 00		23 54		15 30		20 19	485 83		2,158 57	523 28	147 74	2,829 59	3,315 42
Wickford, St. Paul's	75 00		40 00		40 00								10 00		71 00	236 00	165 54	1,156 73	3,261 15		4,583 42	4,819 42
Woonsocket, St. James's	309 75	51 33	62 00		55 00	16 80	11 00	10 00	14 00		10 00	10 00	10 00		83 00	642 88	1,900 00	608 29		1,940 00	4,448 29	5,091 17
	$18,069 20	$12,762 19	$2,517 66	$2,667 87	$3,942 97	$2,441 44	$3,538 40	$670 44	$832 29	$30 63	$703 16	$269 52	$1,145 72	$697 00	$10,578 60	$60,867 09	$52,265 14	$63,517 46	$12,876 53	$26,330 53	$154,989 66	$215,856 75

STANDING RULES OF ORDER

OF THE

Rhode Island Episcopal Convention.

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1. The following rules of order shall be read at every session of the convention immediately after the president has declared it duly organized:

2. On the first day of the convention, after Divine Service, the convention shall proceed to business, and remain in session until the business for the first day is ended.

3. The sessions of the convention shall be open to all persons, until otherwise ordered by the convention.

4. The clergy and delegates of each parish shall sit together, the several delegations occupying adjoining pews.

5. At the request of the president, or on motion, the convention may resolve itself into a committee of the whole.

6. All special committees shall be appointed by the president, unless otherwise ordered by the convention.

7. All reports of committees shall be in writing and be received of course, and be recorded without a motion to that effect, unless they be recommitted by the convention.

8. When the president is putting any question, the members shall remain in their seats, and shall not by private conversation interrupt the convention.

9. When two or more members rise at the same time to obtain the floor, the president shall name the member who may speak first.

10. When a member is about to speak, he shall rise and address the chair, and confine himself strictly to the point in debate.

11. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without consent of the convention.

12. The president shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the convention.

13. No motion shall be acted upon until seconded, and, when required, reduced to writing.

14. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to commit, to postpone, to lay on the table, or to adjourn.

15. A motion to lay on the table or to adjourn shall always be in order, and be decided without debate.

16. A question susceptible of division, shall, at the request of any member, be divided.

17. All questions shall be decided *viva voce*, or by a rising vote, *provided*, that a vote shall be taken by ballot when called for by three members.

18. Every member who is in the convention when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the question, or be excused by the president.

19. The yeas and nays shall be called and entered on the minutes when required by ten members.

20. When a vote is taken by ballot, the name of each clergyman entitled to a vote shall be called; whereupon he shall deposit his ballot with tellers appointed by the chair. The lay vote shall be taken in the same manner. The tellers shall report to the chair the number of votes cast, the number necessary for a choice, and the number for the respective candidates; the chair shall thereupon announce the result of the vote and the report shall be placed on file.

21. When a vote is taken by orders, the names of the clergy and parishes voting in the affirmative and negative respectively, shall be distinctly announced before the result is declared, and be entered on the minutes of the convention.

22. In the election of deputies and supplementary deputies to the General Convention, the names of persons nominated by clergy or delegates shall be numbered, and upon their confirmation by either body, be reported back in the same order in which they were received.

23. A question once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the convention, and shall not again be debated during the session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

24. After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read at the opening of the convention, and, if necessary, be corrected; and before the final rising of the convention, the minutes of the last day shall be read.

25. All propositions for the adoption, amendment or repeal of canons or rules of order, or the order of business, shall, before action thereon, be referred to the committee on canons.

26. No rule of order shall be suspended without the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

STANDING ORDER OF BUSINESS

FOR THE

Annual Session

OF THE

Rhode Island Episcopal Convention.

After organization of the convention, as provided for in the constitution, the rules of order having been read, the following order of business shall be observed on the first day of the session:

I. Election of the secretary of the convention.

II. Appointment of committees: on canons, on admission of new parishes, on unfinished business, on place of meeting for the convention at its next annual session.

III. Report of the treasurer of the convention.

IV. Business incident to the organization of the convention, including applications of parishes for admission to union with it.

V. Reading of the bishop's address.

VI. Reports in the following order:

1. Committe on admission of new parishes.
2. Committee on unfinished business.
3. Special committees appointed at a preceding session of the convention.

VII. Regular annual reports in the following order:
1. Registrar.
2. Standing committee.
3. Board of audit and finance.
4. Board of trustees of the episcopal fund.
5. Board of trustees of churches and glebes.
6. Board for relief of widows and orphans, etc.
7. Board of missions.
8. Treasurer of board of missions.
9. Committee on Christian education.
10. Woman's auxiliary.

VIII. Introduction of business for reference to committees.

IX. Consideration of the state of the church in the diocese.

X. Parochial reports.

XI. Miscellaneous business.

The following order of business shall be observed on the second day of the session:

I. Roll call of members.

II. Reading the record of the first day's proceedings.

III. Reports in the following order:
1. Report of the committee on place of meeting.
2. Reports of other committees.

IV. Elections in the following order:
1. Deputies to the General Convention.
2. Standing committee.
3. Treasurer of the convention.
4. Registrar.
5. Committee on Christian education.
6. Board of missions.
7. Board of audit and finance.
8. Board of trustees of the episcopal fund.
9. Board of trustees of churches and glebes.
10. Board for relief of widows and orphans, etc.

V. Miscellaneous business.

VI. Reading of the minutes before adjournment.

PAROCHIAL REPORT

OF

.....CHURCH*.....

.....

THE REV.....RECTOR.†

.....WARDENS.‡

BAPTISMS—

INFANTS, ...

ADULTS, ...

TOTAL, ...

CONFIRMED, ...

COMMUNICANTS—

ADDED, NEW, ...

BY REMOVAL, ...

TOTAL ADDED, ...

DIED, ...

REMOVED, ...

PRESENT NUMBER, ...

MARRIAGES, ...

BURIALS, ...

SUNDAY-SCHOOL—

TEACHERS AND OFFICERS, ...

SCHOLARS, ...

TOTAL, ...

* Fill in the *Name* of the Church; also the *place, town* or *city*.

† Or *Minister*. The name of the Rector or Minister must be given in this place. When the Parish is vacant, the Report must be made by the Wardens, and the word VACANT should be written after the name of the Parish.

‡ In *all* cases give the name of the *Wardens*.

MISSIONARY AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING THE COMMUNION ALMS:

1. For Parochial Missionary and Charitable Work, ...
2. For other local Charities in the vicinity, (such as the R. I. Hospital, St. Elizabeth's Home, etc.,) . .....
3. For the Diocesan Board of Missions, ...
4. For other Mission Work in the Diocese, including the building of Churches and Rectories, ...
5. For Domestic Missions through the General Board of Missions, ...
6. For Domestic Missions through any other Channel, ...
7. For Foreign Missions through the General Board of Missions, ...
8. For Foreign Missions through any other Channel, ...
9. For Indian Missions through the General Board of Missions, ...
10. For Indian Missions through any other Channel, ...
11. For Home Missions to the Colored People through the General Board, ...
12. For Home Missions to the Colored People through any other Channel, ...
13. For the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc.,* . . . .
14. For Education for the Ministry, ...
15. For..... . . . .
16. For..... . . . .
17. For..... . . . .
18. For..... . . . .
19. For..... . . . .
20. For all other Missionary and Charitable Purposes not above specified, ...

Total Missionary and Charitable Contributions,

RECEIPTS FOR PARISH PURPOSES.

I. For Support of Public Worship, ...
   1. From Pew Taxes and Pew Rents, ...
   2. From Offerings and Subscriptions, ...
   3. From Invested Funds and all other sources except the Board of Missions, ...

II. For all other Parish uses, not previously included under the head of Parochial Missionary and Charitable Work, ...

Total for Parish Purposes, ...

* Canon V. of the Diocese requires that each Parish shall "make a collection for this fund on Christmas day or upon some Sunday prior to the last day of May in each year."

NOTE.—The whole money contributed or expended in any way, or for any purpose, by the Parish, should be included in the two tables above.

CERTIFICATE OF LAY DELEGATES.

At a Parish Meeting of.....
Church.....regularly called in conformity with the Charter and By-Laws of the Parish, the following persons, communicants of the Church,

1.....
2.....
3.....
4.....
5.....

where chosen Delegates to represent said Parish in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island, to be held on the second Tuesday in June, 188 .

At the same meeting, the following persons, communicants of the Church,

1.....
2.....
3.....
4.....
5.....

were chosen substitutes.

Attest:

.....
.....} WARDENS.

.....CLERK.

☞ This form, when filled up, must be signed by the Church Wardens or Parish Clerk. A copy must be forwarded to the Secretary, another presented at the Convention.
The attention of Parishes is called to Article 2d of the Constitution, Sections 3 and 4.

APPENDIX.

CHARTER,

CONSTITUTION AND CANONS

OF THE

Rhode Island Episcopal Convention.

CHARTER

OF THE

Rhode Island Episcopal Convention.

1889.

AN ACT

TO INCORPORATE CERTAIN PERSONS BY THE NAME OF THE RHODE ISLAND EPISCOPAL CONVENTION.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. That John P. K. Henshaw, Nathan B. Crocker, George W. Hathaway, Silas A. Crane, Thomas Burgess, Resolved Waterman, George Mumford, and such others as are members of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Rhode Island, and their successors, chosen according to the constitution of said Convention, be, and they hereby are created and made a corporation and body politic forever, by the name and style of the Rhode Island Episcopal Convention, for missionary and other purposes; and by that name shall be, and hereby are created, and made capable in law in addition to and exclusive of church buildings and the fixtures and furniture thereof and lands for the same, and parsonage-houses and lands for the same, to purchase, receive, have, own, possess and enjoy other lands, tenements, hereditaments, goods, chattles and estate of any kind or nature whatsoever not exceeding in value the amount of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars; and the same to sell, grant, demise and dispose of; to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered, defend and be defended against, in courts of record, or in any other place whatsoever; also to make, have and use a common seal, and the same to break, alter, or renew at pleasure. Also to enact, establish and put in execution such canons, by-laws, ordinances and regulations, they not being contrary to the constitution of this State or the laws thereof, or the constitution of the United States, as to them shall seem expedient; and also to alter their said constitution according to the

provisions in said constitution contained. [*As enacted at January Session, 1844, and amended at October Session, 1850, January Session, 1882, and January Session, 1889.*]

SEC. 2. The officers of said Convention shall be a President, Secretary, Treasurer, and a Standing Committee to consist of as many members as the Convention may from time to time determine, together with such other officers as said Convention shall judge necessary and expedient; and in addition to said committee and the officers of said corporation, said corporation shall have power to appoint and constitute committees and trustees, who shall make report at the annual meetings, and hold office for such time as the Convention may determine in accordance with its constitution and canons. [*As amended at October Session, 1850, and January Session, 1889.*]

SEC. 3. [*Repealed October Session, 1850.*]

SEC. 4. There shall be a meeting of said Convention on the second Tuesday of June in each year, or at such other time, and at such hour and place as the said Convention may appoint, by themselves or by their Standing Committee, for the election of officers, and the transaction of such other business as may regularly come before such meetings: at said annual meetings the Standing Committee shall make report of their doings, and the Treasurer shall exhibit the state of the treasury: and should it at any time so happen, that an election of officers should not be had, or made at the time appointed for such purpose, the officers and Standing Committee last elected shall be empowered to officiate in their respective offices, and exercise all the powers, and discharge all the duties thereto belonging or appertaining, until a new election by said Convention shall be had and made.

SEC. 5. The Bishop of the diocese shall, *ex-officio*, be President of the Convention, and in the absence of the Bishop, a President *pro tempore* may be chosen by said Convention by ballot.

SEC. 6. [*Repealed January Session, 1889.*]

SEC. 7. Any donation, devise or legacy made to said Convention

and by them accepted, shall be faithfully applied to the specific purpose designated by the doner or devisor.

SEC. 8. Until a meeting of the Convention aforesaid, for the choice of officers shall be had in conformity to this charter, John P. K. Henshaw, being President as aforesaid, Azel D. Cole shall be Secretary, Ezra W. Howard, Treasurer, and Henry Waterman, Silas A. Crane, George W. Hathaway, Resolved Waterman, George Mumford and Thomas Burgess, Standing Committee.

SEC. 9. This charter shall be subject to all future acts of the General Assembly, whether in amendment or repeal thereof, or in any wise affecting the same.

CONSTITUTION AND CANONS

OF THE

Rhode Island Episcopal Convention,

APPROVED JUNE 12, 1888.

ADOPTED JUNE 11, 1889.

THE CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. Of Acceding to the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

" II. Of Membership of the Convention.

" III. Of Organization of the Convention.

" IV. Of Organization of Parishes.

" V. Of Union of Parishes with the Convention.

" VI. Of Manner of Voting.

" VII. Of Terms of Office.

" VIII. Of Secretary, Treasurer and Registrar.

" IX. Of the Standing Committee.

" X. Of Deputies to the General Convention.

" XI. Of Election of a Bishop.

" XII. Of Adoption of Canons.

" XIII. Of Amendments to the Constitution.

THE CANONS.

1. Of Regular Committees.
2. Of Board of Missions.
3. Of Committee on Christian Education.
4. Of Board of Trustees of Churches and Glebes.
5. Of Board for Relief of Widows and Orphans, etc.
6. Of Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.
7. Of Board of Audit and Finance.
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THE CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Rhode Island Episcopal Convention.

ARTICLE I.

OF ACCEDING TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

The Rhode Island Episcopal Convention, which represents the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Rhode Island, hereby declares that this church is a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and that it accedes to and acknowledges the authority of the constitution and canons of the General Convention of said church.

ARTICLE II.

OF MEMBERSHIP OF THE CONVENTION.

1. The Rhode Island Episcopal Convention shall consist of the bishop, of all other clergymen legally and canonically resident in the diocese for one year next preceding any session thereof, and of delegates from each parish in union with the convention as hereinafter provided.

2. Clergymen legally and canonically resident for a less period shall be entitled to all privileges of membership, except the right to vote.

3. Every parish in union with the convention and any parish desiring to become united therewith, shall be entitled to elect not more

than five delegates, and, also five substitutes, who, in the order in which they are chosen, shall fill the place of any delegate who may resign or be unable to attend the convention; and such delegates and substitutes shall continue in office until the next annual meeting of the parish and until others shall have been chosen to take their places.

4. The election of delegates and substitutes above provided for shall be subject to the following conditions, viz.: every parish having more than three hundred recorded communicants, may elect five delegates and five substitutes; every parish having less than one hundred such communicants may elect three delegates and three substitutes; all other parishes may elect four delegates and four substitutes. The number of said communicants shall be determined by the number thereof stated in the parochial report of said parish presented at the last preceding annual session of the convention.

5. Whenever, during a session of the convention, any delegate shall retire and a substitute take his place, the fact of such change shall be made known to the secretary, and shall by him be entered on the record and announced to the convention, before such substitute shall be entitled to membership thereof.

6. No person under ecclesiastical censure shall be entitled to a seat in the convention; and no person shall be a member thereof or hold any office by its authority, unless such person be a communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

ARTICLE III.

OF ORGANIZATION OF THE CONVENTION.

1. There shall be an annual session of the convention on the second Tuesday of June in each year, at such place and time as the convention at its previous annual session shall have designated.

2. The list of clergy in the diocese shall be furnished to the secretary by the bishop, or in his absence, by the standing committee, at least one week before the session, and it shall specify those who are entitled to membership of the convention in accordance with the requirements of Article II. of the constitution.

The list of delegates entitled to membership thereof, shall be made up by the secretary from uncontested certificates of election from parishes declared by the standing committee to be in union with the convention. Any question in regard to the aforesaid lists shall be determined by the convention.

3. The bishop shall preside in the convention, but if there be no bishop, or if the bishop be absent, a president shall be chosen by ballot from the presbyters of the convention.

4. Sessions of the convention shall be opened with the celebration of the Holy Communion, and there shall be a charge by the bishop, or sermon by some preacher appointed by the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese; after which the president and secretary of the convention shall take their places, and the convention shall be called to order.

The secretary shall then call the roll of clerical and lay members entitled to seats, after which the president shall declare the convention duly organized, but no business shall be transacted until there be present one-third of the clergy entitled to a vote, and delegates representing one-third of the parishes in union with the convention. A smaller number may adjourn the convention.

5. When for grave cause it shall be deemed imprudent or inexpedient to hold the convention at the time or place appointed, the bishop may change the same. If there be no bishop, or if he be disabled, the standing committee may change the same.

6. Special sessions of the convention may be called by the bishop, at his discretion, and it shall become his duty to call them upon request of the standing committee. In case of the vacancy of the episcopate, of the absence for six months of the bishop from the diocese, or of the prolonged disability of the bishop, a special session of the convention may be called by the standing committee. At least three weeks' notice of such special session shall be given to each clerical member of the convention, and to the churchwardens of each parish in union with the convention, by the secretary of the convention, or, in his absence, by some person appointed by the

bishop, or, as in the above cases, by the standing committee, to act in the secretary's stead. No business shall be transacted at any special session of the convention other than that specified in the notice by which such session has been called.

ARTICLE IV.

OF ORGANIZATION OF PARISHES.

1. Ecclesiastical consent may be given by the bishop and standing committee, acting together, to the organization of a parish in accordance with the requirements of an act entitled "An Act for the Incorporation of Parishes," and passed at the January session of the General Assembly, A. D. 1883, whenever, in their judgment, such organization is desirable and expedient.

2. No new parish shall be organized, or new church or chapel be established, or new congregation be gathered, nor shall the site of any existing church, chapel, or mission station be changed, until previous notice has been given to the rectors and vestries of the three parishes or congregations, whose places of public worship are nearest to the site proposed for the new place of worship; and until at least one month has been allowed such rectors and vestries to present any objections to the bishop and standing committee, who, acting together, may then give or withhold consent to the proposed action.

3. It shall be the duty of every parish directly on completing its organization and complying with said act, to deliver to the standing committee a copy of the certificate filed by it in the office of the Secretary of State, certified by him; and no parish shall be admitted to union with the convention until it shall have complied with the provisions of said act and have delivered a copy of such certificate to the standing committee.

ARTICLE V.

OF UNION OF PARISHES WITH THE CONVENTION.

1. A new parish may, by vote of the convention, be admitted to union with it, on presenting written evidence, under the authority of

its churchwardens and vestry, that it is a duly organized parish of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this diocese, and has regularly maintained public worship during the period of one year.

2. When it shall appear to the satisfaction of three-fourths of all the members of the standing committee that a parish for two years next preceding the date at which the list of parishes in the diocese shall be revised by them, has had no place of worship, or has maintained no regular services, or has failed for three years last past, after notice from the treasurer of the convention, to pay its quota of the bishop's salary and convention expenses assessed upon it, that parish shall be declared extinct, and shall be stricken from the list of parishes in union with the convention.

3. When it shall appear by the annual report of the treasurer of the convention, that a parish has not paid all its assessments for the bishop's salary and the convention expenses, such parish shall not be entitled to vote in the convention then in session, nor at any subsequent session thereof, until said overdue assessments, with the interest accrued thereon, shall have been paid in full.

ARTICLE VI.

OF MANNER OF VOTING.

Members of the convention shall upon all questions deliberate in one body, except as hereinafter provided, and in voting shall vote as individuals, unless five members shall call for a vote by orders, when the clergy and delegates shall vote separately, the delegation from each parish being entitled to but one vote; and a concurrent majority of both orders shall be necessary to decide any question.

ARTICLE VII.

OF TERMS OF OFFICE.

All officers, committees and trustees elected by the convention shall hold office until the next annual session thereof, and until their successors are chosen, except as may be otherwise provided by this constitution.

ARTICLE VIII.

OF SECRETARY, TREASURER AND REGISTRAR.

1. At each annual session of the convention there shall be elected a secretary of the convention and a registrar. There shall also be elected a treasurer of the convention, who may be removed from office in such manner as may be provided by canon. (See canon 7, section 4.)

2. The secretary and treasurer shall be elected by joint ballot, *provided*, however, that if only one person be nominated for each of these offices, a ballot may be dispensed with.

3. If the treasurer be not a delegate to the convention, he shall be entitled to a seat therein and to speak on any subject pertaining to the business of his office.

4. A vacancy in the office of treasurer, occurring during the recess of the convention, shall be filled in such manner as may be prescribed by canon.

ARTICLE IX.

OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

1. A standing committee consisting of four presbyters and four laymen shall be elected at each annual session of the convention. A majority of their number shall constitute a quorum. The secretary of this committee shall hold office until his successor is chosen. He shall call the first meeting of a newly-elected committee in such manner as the rules of the standing committee may direct.

2. The standing committee shall promptly fill any vacancies, which may occur during the recess of the convention in the offices of secretary of the convention and registrar. They may also, at their discretion, fill any vacancies occurring during said recess in their own body, or in any of the boards and committees created by the convention.

3. They shall revise, in accordance with the requirements of section 2 of Article V. of the constitution, the list of parishes submitted to them by the secretary of the convention, and return the same to him at least one month before the annual session thereof. The list thus revised shall be the authorized list of parishes in union with the convention for such session and for any special session held during the following year; provided that new parishes may be added to the list at an annual session by a vote of the convention.

4. They shall keep a record of their proceedings and shall annually present a report thereof to the convention.

ARTICLE X.

OF DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

1. Deputies and supplementary deputies to the General Convention shall be chosen at the annual session of the convention immediately preceding the regular triennial session of the General Convention.

2. The clergy and delegates sitting apart, the clergy shall by ballot nominate the clerical deputies, and the delegates shall by ballot nominate the lay deputies, the delegation from each parish having but one vote. These nominations shall then be reported, the clerical nominations to the delegates and the lay nominations to the clergy, and shall by each body be confirmed or rejected by ballot. Each body shall then report its action to the other. In either body, upon request of two members thereof, the ballot shall be taken upon each candidate separately. In the event of any rejection another nomination shall be made as before directed. Upon the concurrence of the two bodies the convention shall reassemble and receive report of the concurrent action, which shall then be declared by the president of the convention.

3. Supplementary deputies shall be chosen in the same manner. In case of the resignation or failure to occupy his seat, of a deputy, clerical or lay, his place shall be filled by one of the supplementary deputies in the order in which they were chosen; and it shall be the

duty of said deputy and of the first chosen of the remaining deputies of his order to notify the supplementary deputy of the duty devolved upon him.

ARTICLE XI.

OF ELECTION OF A BISHOP.

When a bishop is to be elected in this diocese, a duly qualified presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America shall be chosen by the convention at an annual or special session. The clergy and delegates shall sit in one body, but shall vote by orders; and a concurrent majority of both orders shall determine the choice. At the request of two members the convention shall sit with closed doors.

ARTICLE XII.

OF ADOPTION OF CANONS.

Canons for the government of the diocese, and rules of order for the conduct of business in the convention may be adopted or amended at any session of the convention; *provided*, that one day's notice of the proposed canon or rule of order or amendment thereto shall have been given.

ARTICLE XIII.

OF AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

1. This constitution may be altered in the following manner: at any annual session a written amendment to the constitution may be approved by the convention, and at the next annual session the same may be adopted by a concurrent majority of both orders, and the amendment thus adopted shall be a valid part of the constitution.

2. Amendments to this constitution and to the canons shall take effect, unless otherwise ordered by the convention, on the first of August next after the adjournment of the convention at which they are adopted.

THE CANONS

OF THE

Rhode Island Episcopal Convention.

CANON 1.

OF REGULAR COMMITTEES.

At each annual session of the convention the president shall appoint the following committees and such others as the convention may from time to time add to their number, viz.: a committee on canons, a committee on admission of new parishes, a committee on unfinished business, and a committee on place of meeting for the convention at its next annual session. Each of these committees shall consist of four members, except the committee on canons, which shall consist of six.

CANON 2.

OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

1. There shall be elected by the convention a board of missions, to consist of five clergymen and five laymen, of whom hereafter three clergymen and two laymen shall be chosen by the convention at its annual session one year, and two clergymen and three laymen the following year.

2. When a ballot is called for in the choice of the board, in the year when three clergymen and two laymen are to be chosen, each member of the convention shall vote for two clergymen and one layman only, and the three clergymen and two laymen receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected; and in the year when two clergymen and three laymen are to be chosen, each member of the convention shall vote for one clergyman and two laymen

only, and the two clergymen and three laymen receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. In case of a tie vote for any member of the board, the entire ballot shall be annulled.

3. The bishop of the diocese shall be, *ex-officio*, president of the board, and shall appoint its missionaries.

4. This board shall conduct the missions of the diocese, and shall take, hold and manage all property of the convention now or hereafter designated for the purposes of this canon.

5. The board shall hold missionary meetings in the diocese at such times and places as they may deem to be advantageous to the missionary work; provided, however, that the convention shall not be responsible for any expenses of such meetings.

6. Parishes or individuals may direct to what missionary their contribution shall be devoted; provided that no missionary shall receive from the board more than the salary voted him by the board, and that any surplus of such contribution shall go into the general fund for missions.

7. No salary shall be paid by the board to the missionary of any station at which a debt, for a church, rectory, or other parish building, shall be hereafter incurred, until after the entire liquidation of the debt, unless it be incurred with the written consent of the bishop and of the board of missions. The attention of each missionary shall be annually called to the requirements of this section by the secretary of the board of missions.

8. At each annual session of the convention the board shall present an account, duly audited, of their receipts, investments and expenditures, and a report of the general condition and prospects of their missions, with an estimate of the amount required for their work in the ensuing year, and a proposed apportionment of the said amount among the parishes of the diocese.

CANON 3.

OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

1. At each annual session of the convention there shall be elected

a committee on Christian education, to consist of three clergymen and two laymen.

2. It shall be the duty of this committee to consider the following and kindred subjects, viz.: the Sunday school and its relation to the parish church; the means by which can be secured the attendance of Sunday scholars at the regular services of the Church; the various methods of training children and youth by religious instruction; the qualifications of Sunday school teachers; the Sunday school library and how it shall be created and maintained.

3. They may, at their discretion, hold conventions or public conferences in the diocese for the promotion of interest in Christian education and for the discussion of subjects relating thereto: *provided, however*, that all expenses of such conventions or conferences shall be paid by voluntary contributions.

4. This committee shall report annually to the convention.

CANON 4.

OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES AND GLEBES.

1. There shall be elected by the convention a board of trustees of churches and glebes. This board shall consist of the bishop and three laymen, one of whom shall hold office for one year, one for two years, and one for three years; and hereafter, the convention shall annually elect one member of the board to hold office for three years.

The bishop shall be, *ex-officio*, chairman.

2. This board shall have the charge of all churches, chapels, rectories, school-houses and glebes, now or hereafter belonging to the convention; and of such other property of the convention, as may be designated for the erection of said buildings, or for the purchase or maintenance of said buildings or glebes; and they shall manage and use such property according to the directions of the donor or grantor expressed at the time of making the gift or grant thereof, *provided*, that such directions and uses shall be for the benefit of the church, and not inconsistent with the constitution and canons of the convention, and *provided further*, that such property shall be held and

managed subject to the conditions of the canons of the General Convention relating to incumbrance on, or alienation of, any consecrated church or chapel. (Title I., Canon 24.) In case no directions respecting such property shall be given at the time of making such gift or grant, the board shall manage and dispose of the same in accordance with such directions as may be given from time to time by the convention.

They shall cause all property in their charge needing such protection, to be insured with the policies of insurance payable in case of loss to the convention.

3. In case of any debt upon property held by the board, which debt cannot be cancelled by the parties beneficially interested, the board shall not assume it, but shall make known the fact of said indebtedness in such manner as may best secure offerings for its payment.

4. The board shall receive and consider all applications from parishes in the diocese for aid in the building or purchase of churches, chapels, rectories, school-houses or glebes, or for the maintenance of either of them; and they may appropriate and pay out for any of these objects, under such conditions as they may deem most conducive to the strengthening or extension of the Church, any money in their hands not otherwise appropriated by the donors thereof or by the convention.

5. The board may endeavor to secure by collections in the several churches in the diocese, and by donations and bequests from individuals, a permanent fund for the purposes specified in section 4 of this canon.

6. At each annual session of the convention the board shall present a report of their transactions, with a list of the churches and other real estate of which they have the care; and also an account duly audited, of their receipts, investments and expenditures.

CANON 5.

OF THE BOARD FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN AND OF SUPERANNUATED AND INFIRM CLERGYMEN.

1. There shall be elected by the convention a board for the relief of widows and orphans of deceased clergymen and of superannuated and infirm clergymen. This board shall consist of the bishop and three laymen, one of whom shall hold office for one year, one for two years, and one for three years; and hereafter, the convention shall annually elect one member of the board to hold office for three years. The bishop shall be, *ex-officio*, chairman. In case of the vacancy of the episcopate, the president of the standing committee shall be, *ex-officio*, a member and chairman of the board.

2. This board shall take, hold and manage all property of the convention now or hereafter designated for the purposes of this Canon, including collections in churches. It is hereby made the duty of each clergyman having charge of a parish, and of the churchwardens in every vacant parish, to make a collection for this fund on Christmas day, or upon some Sunday prior to the last day of April in each year.

3. Appropriations from this fund shall be made by the board in such manner and in such amounts as they may deem expedient; *provided* that no appropriation shall be made to the family of a deceased clergyman, who was not at the time of his decease, canonically resident in this diocese, or to any superannuated or infirm clergyman who did not continue in the exercise of his sacred duties until providentially disabled, unless by and with the advice and written consent of the standing committee.

5. At every annual session of the convention the board shall present an account duly audited, of their receipts, investments, appropriations and expenditures.

CANON 6.

OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

1. There shall be elected by the convention a board of trustees of the episcopal fund, to consist of three laymen; one of whom shall hold office for one year, one for two years, and one for three years; and hereafter the convention shall annually elect one member to hold office for three years.

2. This board shall have the charge of the fund for the support of the episcopate; and shall take, hold and manage all property of the convention now or hereafter designated for the purpose of this Canon. They shall pay annually to the treasurer of the convention the income of the episcopal fund.

3. They shall, at each annual session of the convention, present an account, duly audited, of their receipts, investments and expenditures.

CANON 7.

OF THE BOARD OF AUDIT AND FINANCE.

1. There shall be elected by the convention a board of audit and finance, to consist of three laymen; one of whom shall hold office for the term of one year; one for the term of two years, and one for the term of three years; and the convention, at each annual session hereafter, shall elect one member, who shall hold office for the term of three years.

2. It shall be the duty of this board, before each annual session of the convention, to audit all accounts of the treasurer of the convention, and to inspect the vouchers, securities and investments in his hands belonging to the convention; and from time to time to advise and instruct the treasurer as to the sale and reinvestment of any securities belonging to the convention, and as to the care and investment of any funds to which the convention shall hereafter be entitled by gift, devise or otherwise; and the treasurer shall not be held

responsible by the convention for any loss or damage it may sustain by reason of any investment or change of investment of its funds made by the treasurer under the written advice and instruction of the board.

3. It shall be the duty of the board to authorize the treasurer of the convention to borrow money for the purpose of paying the salary of the bishop at the time the same may be due, if the treasurer cannot collect from the parishes the necessary amount; and one member of the board shall countersign any obligation which the treasurer may issue under their authority.

4. The board shall have authority to remove the treasurer of the convention from his office whenever in their judgment such removal may be necessary; *provided, however*, that such removal may be made only by the unanimous action of the full board. And it shall be their duty to fill any vacancy, which may occur during the recess of the convention, in the office of treasurer, by reason of death, removal or resignation.

5. It shall also be the duty of the board, before each annual session of the convention, to audit the accounts and to inspect the vouchers, securities and investments of each of the boards of trustees and committees who now have, or to whom may hereafter be given, the care of any funds belonging to the convention.

6. It shall also be the duty of the board to present at each annual session of the convention, a report showing the amount the board estimate will be required to be raised by assessment for the bishop's salary and the convention expenses for that year, and to recommend the sums to be assessed by the convention upon the several parishes in union with it. Said assessments shall be due and payable in two equal amounts, viz.: one-half thereof *on the first day of July next after said session, and the remainder thereof on the first day of January next thereafter.*

CANON 8.

OF THE SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

1. It shall be the duty of the secretary of the convention to make minutes of the proceedings of the convention, to attest its public acts, to preserve its journal and records, to transmit to the registrar all other books and papers relative to its concerns, including the journals of other diocesan conventions and of the General Convention, which may be in his possession as secretary, and to distribute the printed journals of the convention in such manner as may be prescribed.

2. He shall before Easter of each year transmit by mail to all parish ministers and senior churchwardens of the diocese, duplicate forms of certificates of the election of delegates to the convention. Both of these forms shall be filled up by the clerks of their respective parishes; one of the same shall be sent by mail to the secretary of the convention during Easter week; and the other shall be delivered to the delegate first named in said certificate, in order that he may present it to the secretary at the session of the convention.

3. He shall give due notice of the time and place of the sessions of the convention, and shall also, one month before each annual session thereof, send by mail to the rector, or senior churchwarden of every parish, the form required for parochial reports.

4. He shall also, at least two months before the annual session of the convention, send to the standing committee a list of the parishes in the diocese, in order that the same may be revised by them.

5. His salary shall be fixed from time to time by the convention.

CANON 9.

OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

1. It shall be the duty of the treasurer of the convention to receive and collect at the times specified in the sixth section of Canon 7, all assessments ordered by the convention upon the parishes. If said

assessments be not paid on or before the days named in said section, then it shall be the duty of the treasurer to collect legal interest thereon until said assessments shall have been paid in full.

2. He shall pay quarterly to the bishop the salary pledged to him by the convention, and shall perform such other duties and meet such other demands upon the treasury as the convention from time to time may authorize and require. If the treasurer have not sufficient money to pay to the bishop the amount of his salary when the same is due, he may borrow enough for that purpose; *provided*, that he shall first obtain the written consent thereto of the board of audit and finance; and *provided further*, that any obligation given by the treasurer, shall be countersigned by one member of said board.

3. He shall take possession of all property now belonging to or hereafter acquired by the convention, and under the direction and approval of the board of audit and finance, shall hold and manage the same until the convention shall order other management thereof; *provided*, that property designated by the donor or grantor thereof for purposes specified in the several Canons, shall be taken, held and managed by the respective boards named in said Canons.

4. At each annual session of the convention he shall present an account, duly audited, of his receipts, investments and expenditures.

5. He shall also report annually to the convention the names of those parishes which have not paid all their assessments for the bishop's salary and the convention expenses.

CANON 10.

OF THE REGISTRAR.

The registrar shall have the care of all documents pertaining to the history of the Church in Rhode Island, and of all journals of other diocesan conventions, and of the General Convention, and of any other books and papers that may be the property of the convention; and it shall be his duty to properly arrange and preserve the same in some suitable place, and to hold them subject to such regulations as the convention may from time to time prescribe.

He shall at each annual session of the convention present a report of his transactions.

CANON 11.

OF ACCOUNTS.

The financial accounts of the treasurer of the convention and of all boards and committees holding funds or property belonging to the convention, shall be closed annually on the thirty-first day of May.

CANON 12.

OF THE BISHOP'S SALARY.

The annual salary of the bishop of the diocese shall be five thousand dollars, and shall be derived from the income of the episcopal fund and from assessments ordered by the convention upon the several parishes. It shall be due on the last days of February, May, August and November.

The travelling expenses of the bishop, while engaged in episcopal duties within the diocese, shall be repaid to him by the treasurer of the convention.

CANON 13.

OF THE COMMUNION ALMS.

The alms and contributions at the administration of the Holy Communion shall be deposited with the minister of the parish or with such church officer as shall be appointed by him, to be applied by the minister, or under his superintendence, to such pious and charitable uses as shall by him be thought fit. If there be no minister, the churchwardens shall receive and administer this fund.

CANON 14.

OF PARISH REGISTERS.

1. Every minister of this Church, having charge of a parish or mission station, shall keep in a substantial register to be provided by

the parish, a full record of the communicants, baptisms, confirmations, marriages and burials in said parish; and shall also make and continue to keep, as far as practicable, a list of all families and baptized persons within his cure. Said register and list, at the resignation or death of such minister, shall be left for the use of his successor.

2. When a parish or mission is without a minister, the register shall be kept by the churchwardens or by some person appointed by the vestry.

CANON 15.

OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

1. Every minister of this church, having charge of a parish or mission station, shall, at each annual session of the convention, present to the president thereof, a report, which shall be made in such form and shall give information concerning such details of parochial work, as the convention shall prescribe and require.

2. When a parish or mission station is without a minister, the annual parochial report shall be presented to the president of the convention by the churchwardens.

CANON 16.

OF REMOVAL OF COMMUNICANTS.

1. A communicant, removing from one parish to another, shall procure from the rector of his or her last parish, or if there be no rector, from one of the churchwardens, a certificate stating that such person is a communicant in good standing, which certificate shall be presented to the rector or churchwardens of the parish to which said person has removed, by whom its receipt shall be duly recorded and notice of the record given to the authority whence the certificate issued; and no rector or church warden shall record any such person as a communicant until such certificate be presented, unless in his judgment it shall be impracticable to procure it.

CANON 17.

OF TESTIMONIALS OF CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS.

Whenever any vestry shall sign a testimonial in behalf of a person to be recommended as a candidate for Holy Orders, or for ordination, such signing shall be done at a meeting of the said vestry regularly called, and the testimonial shall state that it was so signed, and shall be certified by the clerk of the vestry.

CANON 18.

OF THE TRIAL OF A CLERGYMAN.

1. For the trial of all complaints against a presbyter or deacon in this diocese, there shall be a permanent ecclesiastical court, consisting of three presbyters, of this diocese, who shall be nominated by the bishop and confirmed by the convention.

There shall be also a legal adviser of the court, nominated and confirmed in the same way, who shall be a layman of the legal profession and a communicant of the Church in this diocese; and it shall be his duty to decide all questions of law and practice arising in any trial, and all such decisions shall be reduced to writing and be made a part of the record of the proceedings.

Members of the court and its legal adviser shall hold their office during the episcopate of the bishop nominating them, and until others are nominated and confirmed in their stead; *provided*, that if any of them shall die, resign, accept an election to the standing committee, become subject to prosecution under the canons of the Church, remove from the diocese, or be the complainant against the clergyman to be tried, the bishop shall immediately appoint to fill the vacancy so occasioned, another person who shall hold the office until the next annual session of the convention, when the bishop shall nominate to the convention for confirmation, either the person so appointed, or some other.

This court shall have jurisdiction of offences for which ministers

may be tried and punished under the canons of the General Convention.

The court shall elect a president from their number, and a clerk, who shall be a layman and a communicant of the Church in the diocese.

2. Complaint against any clergyman subject to the jurisdiction of this diocese, for any offence for which he may be tried in accordance with the canons of the General Convention, shall be made to the standing committee, and shall be in writing and signed by one presbyter canonically resident, and by two lay communicants of the Church resident in the diocese. It shall state that the acts complained of are true of their own knowledge, or, that on careful inquiry they believe them to be true.

3. Should the standing committee, after due notice be accused, who shall have a right to be heard by the committee, deem the complaint well founded and deserving prosecution, they shall make a written presentment, stating the offences of which the accused is alleged to be guilty, with the reasonable certainty of time, place and circumstance, which presentment shall be signed by the standing committee or a majority of them, and be delivered to the president of the court.

4. The president shall then summon the court with the legal adviser thereof, and appoint a time and place for the trial. He shall cause the defendant to be summoned to appear at the time and place so appointed, and to answer to the complaint. The summons shall be served by some person appointed by the president, by leaving a certified copy of the summons and presentment with the defendant, at least thirty days before the time of trial. If the person so appointed shall certify that the defendant cannot be found in the diocese, so that he may be personally served with the summons, service shall be sufficient if the copies aforesaid shall be left at his last and usual place of abode therein: *provided*, that the court may require such other or further notice to the defendant of the proceedings as they deem proper.

5. The standing committee shall appoint some proper person or persons to conduct the prosecutions, *provided*, that all such prosecuting officers shall be communicants of the Church in this diocese.

6. Questions of practice and of the admission of evidence, when not governed by canons of the diocese, or of the General Convention, shall follow the analogies of the law courts of this State, so far as the authority of the court may extend. Witnesses may be examined by either party in the presence of the court, and when the personal attendance of witnesses cannot be had, their testimony may be taken in writing, in such manner and by such persons as the court may order.

7. The accused may employ legal counsel or other assistance in his defence on the trial.

8. The court shall act by a majority, and shall determine whether the accused is guilty or not guilty; and if they find that he is guilty of all or any part of the matters charged against him, they shall, in their discretion, award judgment of admonition, suspension or deposition.

9. A full record of the proceedings of the court, with the testimony, whether oral or written, shall be kept by the clerk, and a certified copy thereof shall, within twenty days after the rising of the court, be delivered by him to the bishop, who shall within thirty days after the receipt of said certified copy, if the judgment is against the defendant, proceed to administer the discipline awarded therein: *provided*, that the bishop for reasons satisfactory to him, a written statement of said reasons having first been filed with the clerk of the court, may, at any time, remit the whole or any part of the penalty imposed, or may order a new trial.

10. Should the accused not appear at the trial, and no good reason be shown for his absence, the court shall direct the clerk to certify such default to the bishop, who shall thereupon suspend him from the exercise of his clerical functions until further order of the court. In case the defendant shall apply to the president of the court within six months from the date of such default for leave to

appear and answer to the complaint, and to submit to the judgment of the court, the president shall assemble the court, and appoint a time and place for the trial. In case the defendant shall not apply for trial within six months from such default, the clerk of the court shall certify such further default to the bishop, who shall thereupon depose him from the ministry.

11. If the trial of a clergyman should become necessary during a vacancy of the episcopate in the diocese, the bishop of any other diocese may, at the request of the standing committee, perform all the acts assigned by this canon to the bishop of this diocese.

CANON 16.

OF REMOVAL OF COMMUNICANTS.

1. A communicant, removing from one parish to another, shall procure from the rector of his or her last parish, or if there be no rector, from one of the churchwardens, a certificate stating that such person is a communicant in good standing, which certificate shall be presented to the rector or churchwardens of the parish to which said person has removed, by whom its receipt shall be duly recorded and notice of the record given to the authority whence the certificate issued; and no rector or churchwarden shall record any such person as a communicant until such certificate be presented, unless in his judgment it shall be impracticable to procure it.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I give, devise and bequeath to the Rhode Island Episcopal Convention the sum of.....for its uses and purposes.

NOTICE.

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ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, PROVIDENCE,

On the Second Tuesday in June, 1890,

at 10 o'clock A. M.

S. H. WEBB, Secretary.